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SOVIET TROOPS SLOW NAZI ADVANCE; STONE-WALL DEFENSE FOILS 'TRAP'

Gain in Leningrad, Murmansk Battles

Fighting Rages Along Moscow Front; Nazi Casualties Mount

MOSCOW, Saturday, Oct. 11 (UP).—German shock troops are slowly battering their way through the dense pine and birch forests of the Vyasma sector, 130 miles from Moscow, but they have failed in their main objective of encircling Marshal Semyon Timoshenko's defending armies, front dispatches said today.

South of Moscow, the Germans failed to make headway after capturing Orel, dispatches said, and despairing of a mass panzer frontal assault, the Germans sent out groups of 30 to 40 tanks to seek out weak spots in the Soviet line.

These tanks were said to be encountering a solid wall of Soviet tanks and artillery, barring any advance on Moscow from the south.

The Red Army reportedly was losing ground in the critical Vyasma sector, and along the line of Azov on the Southern Front where the Donets Basin was imperiled, but they were counter-attacking at Murmansk and Leningrad in the north, where the 2,000-mile front and the capital remained calm and confident, although the battle raged little more than 100 miles away.

The Germans are suffering terrific losses, especially in the Central Front, but Adolf Hitler's generals continue to throw more men and tanks against the Soviet lines.

PIERCING RESISTANCE
Where overwhelmed by superior German numbers, the Red Army has withdrawn from more easily defended points. But even while yielding ground along the Vyasma-Bryansk-Orel front, stretching from 130 miles southwest to 200 miles south of Moscow, the Soviet forces have resisted fiercely, dashing out of trenches, rifle pits and shell holes to counter-attack at every opportunity.

Newspapers continued to warn that the nation faced an "exceptionally grave" peril, but in Moscow people were making orderly preparations for enduring the bitter Russian winter, heedless of the onrushing Germans.

Four German bombers were shot in daylight raids on Moscow yesterday and several others were driven away. The total shot down over Moscow since Oct. 7 is 20 planes.

LENINGRAD REPELS RAID
Saturday's communiqué said that fighting was "particularly intense" in the direction of Vyasma, Bryansk and Melitopol. The same points mentioned Friday. It said 39 German and 27 Soviet planes were shot down Wednesday. Hundreds of tanks, armored cars, trucks, horse-drawn vehicles, gun batteries and other war equipment were reported destroyed.

The communiqué said that at the approaches of Leningrad Soviet

U.S.A.-Britain-U.S.S.R. -- In Joint War Against Hitler!

REPORTS in the press reveal that Great Britain is shaking with the demand that a Western land front be opened up against Hitler. All sections of the British population are recognizing that Hitler's gigantic all-out offensive against Moscow brings the peril of Nazi invasion closer to the British Isles.

In America, President Roosevelt's neutrality message, calling for drastic changes in the Neutrality Act, emphasizing the grave danger to our country and urged speed in assisting the Soviet defenders of our shores. His state-

ment—"it is time for this country to stop playing into Hitler's hands and to unshackle our own"—strikes a responsive chord in the breast of every patriotic citizen.

It has been outstandingly apparent in the last few weeks that the American people are ready to assume their full responsibility with the Soviet Union and Britain in the common military effort to crush the common enemy. This was strikingly broadcast to the world when the American Legion Convention in Milwaukee adopted a resolution rebuking the Lindbergh appeasers and urging that the ban

against the use of American troops in foreign lands immediately be lifted. It is better that we should stamp out the Nazi rattlesnakes in their lair, than that we should wait until they strike our homes and our people over here, was the sense of the Legion stand.

William Green at the AFL convention called for "more drastic action" to defeat Hitler. CIO unions and leaders, closely attuned to their membership and to the welfare of the nation, have taken a similar stand.

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HOUSE TROUNCES LEND-LEASE FOES OF U. S. S. R., 162-21; QUICK AID URGED

Russian War Relief Gets Wide Response

By John Meldon

The need for vast quantities of medical supplies for the embattled Red Army and the people of the Soviet Union is growing hourly and is happily meeting with wide response from all sections of the American people, Miss Harriet Moore, secretary of the relief organization, declared yesterday.

Headquarters of Russian War Relief, Inc., located at 335 Fifth Ave., is humming with activity daily as the drive for medical supplies, clothing, knitted apparel and funds reaches an ever-widening scope throughout the country.

In a dramatic appeal, the newly-formed organization, which supersedes the original American Committee for Medical Aid to Russia, took full page advertisements in yesterday's New York Times and New York Herald Tribune. The advertisement was headed: "Russia's 'Scorched Earth' Calls to America's 'Green Fields'!"

CHUNGKING, Oct. 10 (UP).—The government central news agency reported late tonight that Chinese forces have completed occupation of Ichang, important Yangtze city long held by the Japanese.

Previously, a Chinese spokesman expressed confidence that the Chinese would succeed in wiping out Japanese troops still in Ichang, reporting that the Chinese commander at the front advised the city's capture is "assured."

The Military Council reported that the Chinese had cut off the Japanese rear lines east of Ichang, trapping the 13th Japanese Division.

Chungking newspapers printed extra editions reporting "Ichang recaptured."

Memphis Bound Train Kills 6 School Kids
MEMPHIS, Tenn., Oct. 10 (UP).—A Memphis-bound Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis passenger train crashed into a school bus near Eads, Tenn., 21 miles east of here, late today, killing six children and the driver.

The sheriff's office said ten others were injured, four of them critically.

Sink Axis Ship
CAIRO, Oct. 10 (UP).—A communiqué today said that Royal Air Force naval planes torpedoed and sank a 6,000-ton enemy merchant ship.

New Panama Gov't to Get Recognition

New Administration Acts to Strengthen Unity Against Hitlerism

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 10 (UP).—President Roosevelt said today that United States recognition of the new government in Panama was automatic because it replaced the pro-Axis regime of President Arnulfo Arias in accordance with provisions of the southern republic's constitution.

He disclosed that he had consulted with State Department officials last night about yesterday's bloodless coup d'état and was informed that it was carried out within the framework of Panama's constitution. Hence, he explained, there was no question whether this government would recognize the one headed by Ricardo Adolfo De La Guardia.

There had been friction, too, between this country's plans to expand defenses of the Panama Canal and to establish vital air bases in Panama. The general impression in the capital today was that a general speed-up of these projects now could be expected.

Officials privately made no secret of their satisfaction at reports emanating from Panama that the new President soon would call his cabinet together to repeal the ban on arming Panamanian-registered ships.

Likewise, his statement to the United Press that his government would be motivated by "strict friendship and the most complete cooperation with the United States" was warmly received.

Through Chinese Ambassador Dr. Hu Shih, the President endorsed the United China Relief campaign with the hope that it would emphasize to Americans the importance of China's battle against aggression.

"Despite the years of preparation of supplies by the Soviet Commissariat of Public Health, the immense need of support in vast quantities from the one country now able to supply them—America—is evident to everyone."

"We are proud to present every section of American life and activity as the sponsors of this immediate and serious appeal for Russian aid."

NOTED SPONSORS

Among some of the noted sponsors of Russian War Relief, Inc., are Edward C. Carter, secretary-general of the Institute of Pacific Relations; Vilhjalmur Stefansson, famous explorer; Tallulah Bankhead, actress; Pearl S. Buck, novelist, and many nationally-known artists, professional and business men and women.

Several thousand local groups have sprung up throughout the country, spokesmen of the organization said yesterday. Among these are neighborhood knitting circles, trade union aid groups and relief

committees.

Termining Mayor LaGuardia's anti-Hitler campaign, the Communist nominees emphasized that victory for Mayor LaGuardia would be "a demonstration of national

'Fight for Freedom' Urges War to Meet Hitler Ship Attacks

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 10.—The Continental Congress of the Fight for Freedom Committee wound up its sessions today with a strong resolution calling "for the immediate repeal of the Neutrality Act because it is helping Hitler to win this war."

Stating that "Hitlerism cannot be beaten by halfway measures," the resolution declared that if Hitler attacks American ships "this will mean war and a declaration of war will and should follow."

Delegates, representing every state in the country, also adopted a resolution which said, "We will tolerate no touch of the fascist spirit in America" and that "this is a two-front struggle in which our example in the practice of democracy is as vital as our share in the actual conflict."

Earlier in the day state delegations visited their Congressmen and Senators urging them to vote for revision of the Neutrality Act and to support President Roosevelt's foreign policy.

A colorful ceremony took place at the end of the conference with the passing of the 48 State Standards as a tribute to freedom.

WILLKIE GREETING

Wendell Willkie sent a message of greeting to the delegates in which he stated the "duty of every person attending the Continental Congress for Freedom is to do his or her utmost to arouse public sentiment for the early passage and ratification of the amendments suggested to the Neutrality Act by President Roosevelt."

The Congress received a stirring telegram from sailors of the U. S. Navy Base, who declared:

"Congratulations on your patriotic efforts to wake up America to the realities of the fight for freedom. The Navy is ready now."

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Vote Overwhelmingly Rejects Appeasers; Hail USSR Stand

LEND-LEASE PASSED

All Anti-Soviet Banned; Party Lines Split by Action

By Adam Lapin

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 10.—By an overwhelming 162 to 21 vote, the House today rejected an appeaser move to bar the Soviet Union from receiving American aid under the new \$985,000,000 Lend-Lease appropriation bill.

A few hours later the House passed the big Lend-Lease bill by the equally decisive vote of 328 to 67.

Passage of the Lend-Lease appropriation was considered a vote of confidence in the Administration's foreign policy of aiding the foes of Hitlerism, and had generally been expected as a foregone conclusion.

While conceding that it could not block the appropriation, the appeasement group in the House had concentrated its forces on an effort to pass an amendment barring the Soviet Union from aid under the Lend-Lease measure.

CRUSH ANTI-SOVIET MOVE

The crushing defeat of the anti-Soviet amendment, which was offered by Representative Robert F. Rich, Pennsylvania Republican, was thus considered a repudiation of the appeasement group as well as a strong indication of the growing demand throughout the country for increased aid to the Soviet Union.

Voting for the Lend-Lease measure were 229 Democrats, 87 Republicans, one Minnesota Farmer-Laborite and Rep. Vito Marcantonio, sole American Laborite.

Opposing the passage of the Lend-Lease appropriation were 66 Republicans, 8 Democrats and three Wisconsin Progressives.

Two Republican leaders of the opposition in the House to Administration foreign policy found it expedient to revise themselves on this measure. These were Rep. Hamilton Fish of New York and Rep. John Vorys of Ohio.

The vote against the anti-Soviet amendment cut across all party and regional groupings, with right-wing democrats and Republicans joining with regular administration supporters to repudiate the Rich proposal.

Conservative Democrats like Representative Clifton Woodrum of Virginia, William M. Colmer of Mississippi and Charles I. Fadden of Pennsylvania received vigorous applause from practically the entire Chamber as they urged aid to the Soviet Union.

While the Republicans had voted almost in a bloc in favor of a number of amendments slashing specific items in the big Lend-Lease appropriation, they were split wide open on the Rich amendment.

No roll call was taken on the anti-Soviet proposal but it was apparent that at least twice as many Repub-

Invasion of Continent to Aid USSR Called for

All Papers Clamor for Immediate Action Against Hitler

LONDON, Oct. 10 (UP).—Newspaper demands for immediate British action to relieve Nazi pressure on the Soviet Union reached an almost hysterical pitch today with assertions that "the peak crisis of the war" has arrived.

Reflecting a growing public clamor over Britain's idleness during the U.S.S.R.'s grave peril, newspapers demanded direct, powerful and immediate action. Emanuel Shinwell, Labor member of Commons, has served notice that he will demand an immediate statement on the Soviet military situation at the next Commons session, according to well-informed diplomatic sources, and if the question comes up for debate, it was believed that many members would demand a continental invasion to draw some of the German troops out of Soviet territory.

Every newspaper in London took up the cry for government action. The Evening Standard said the British people were "near a mood of anger" over Britain's inactivity in the crisis. Frank Owen, the Standard editor, wrote that "There is still time... Russia will not fail if the imagination and will exist among us to keep her fighting. But if Russia does fall the sound of the destructiveness will be like the crash of a great dam in the hills, and the flood will sweep the earth."

The Evening News said that "The man in the street, who cannot master all the facts, must know that Churchill and his experts know that Churchill is not a man to shrink any justifiable risks; but one thing the public would not forgive would be any policy of 'wait and see.'"

PEOPLE WANT ACTION
The Star said: "In the hour of Russia's agony and trial the British people ache to come to the rescue... The War Cabinet must be as well aware of these thoughts as it is alive to the strategic opportunity now presented for the first and perhaps the last time in the war... If the decision goes against Hitler, direct action; Parliament will doubtless ask for explanations. Those will need to be good ones."

Even the Conservative Times called for "boldness within the bounds of reason," while the Daily Sketch said: "let us carry the fight into France; let us fight on the beaches and everywhere the German raises his head." The Daily Herald criticized Lord Halifax, Ambassador to the United States, for saying at Boston, that Hitler is "prancing into Russia," charging that "by his very choice of words, he betrays complacency... we cannot afford to adopt this superior, contemptuous attitude toward our opponent."

BEAVERBROOK SAYS AID TO USSR IS UNLIMITED
LONDON, Oct. 10 (UP).—Minister of Supply Lord Beaverbrook, expressing belief the Soviet Union will continue to fight even if Moscow falls, announced today that Britain is supplying the Soviet with unlimited quantities of war materials, including planes and tanks, on a lend-lease basis without asking payment.

Beaverbrook and W. Averell Harriman, leaders of the British-American mission which returned to London today from Moscow, both reported Soviet morale good. Harriman said he was convinced the Soviet Union will fight to the last with faith in ultimate victory because Britain and the United States stand behind her.

Beaverbrook said the supplies, which he indicated would not include raw materials, were being sent to the U.S.S.R. on the same basis as shipment of American supplies to Britain. All of the supplies, he said, will be of "British origin."

NO LIMIT
He disclosed that before the mission conferred in Moscow on supplies for the Red Army, Prime Minister Churchill decided that Britain would send arms and munitions to the Soviet without asking payment.

"There is no limit to the amount of material Britain is ready to send to the Soviet Union under the lend-lease plan,"

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Today Is Last Day to Register for Election

Last warning!
Today is the last day to register in order to vote Election Day, Nov. 4. The registration booths will be opened from 7 A.M. to 10:30 P.M. Don't wait. Register early.

If in doubt where to register, from Manhattan call Canal 6-5000; from the Bronx, call TRemont 8-1186; from Brooklyn call TRiangle 5-7100; from Queens call BOulevard 8-5000, and from Richmond call ST. George 7-1951.

To register all you have to be is: 21 years or more; a citizen, born here or naturalized at least 90 days before election; a resident of New York State one year; a resident of the election four months; a resident of the election district 30 days.

If you've moved within the county, it's O.K. You're eligible to register and vote.

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Revolt Grips Balkans, Defy Bulgaria Puppets

On the War Fronts

(AS OF OCTOBER 9th)

BY A VETERAN COMMANDER

The general situation on the Eastern Front saw distinct, although slight, improvement during the past twenty-four hours. The signs of improvement are the following:

1. So far the northern arm of the great "Moscow pincers" which alone could conceivably fulfill Hitler's prophesy of a major disaster to the Red Army, has failed to make any appreciable progress out of Velikie Luki. The Germans are still stuck around Toropetz and Rozhnov, on the upper reaches of the Western Dvina, having progressed in nine days about 35 miles. Further north von Leeb's divisions have not yet emerged from the Valdai hills. Thus the great incipient Smolensk-Rzhev-Ostashevsk pocket has not yet materialized.

2. In the center, near Viazma, terrific pressure is being brought to bear by the Germans, but it is a frontal assault and no pincers are even foreshadowed here. Soviet forces have retreated somewhat around Viazma, although not on the main highway. The Germans here are approaching the outer ring of the Moscow defenses which pass through Kashin-Kalinin-Rzhev-Viazma-Kaluga-Tula-Stalinogorsk in a semicircle with a radius of about 125 miles. The integration and organization of the Soviet defenses is attested to by the dismal failure of a German parachute landing southeast of Viazma.

3. Further south, a still greater effort is being made by the Germans in the area between the Bolva, Zhidra and Oka rivers. The Germans tried the day before yesterday to force their way from Orel toward Tula and succeeded in reaching Chern, almost halfway to that city. Here they were counter-attacked by Soviet tanks and crushed by artillery fire. Then the Germans tried a thrust west of Orel in a northerly direction and probably reached Kozelsk. At the same time their forces drove from Pesochna due east with the object of closing the ring around the Bryansk Soviet troops. But the Red Army commander at Bryansk did not "choose" to retreat toward the Zhidra river, but decided to fight it out. He closed the gap in his sector where the Germans had forced their way toward Kozelsk and attacked the Germans in the center. At that moment Soviet reinforcements arrived from Kaluga. They now are driving the Germans back.

Thus we see that the Soviet command has retained its ability to maneuver, that the army command continues to direct operations and that the Soviet communications are sufficiently intact to permit reinforcements to arrive in a few hours from Kaluga which is 100 miles from the scene of the fighting.

The sum up—the only conceivable large pocket in the Central Front is the one just described. And it seems to have failed so far at that.

In Leningrad, Voroshilov continues his active defense. Sufficiently active to make a large-scale move by von Leeb's right wing (Novgorod) risky. In the Ukraine, Budennyi is holding the Germans near Poltava and at Melitopol. The Germans claim that they have reached Mariupol and Berdiansk. London confirms this and takes a gloomy attitude. It must be noted, however, that "viewing with alarm" is London's main military occupation in these critical times.

A little less gloom and a little more action would be very timely. The Chinese have launched a large offensive on the central front and are making some real progress near Ichang.

There is less than ever to report from the other fronts, where nothing but an unconvincing and ineffective exchange of aerial bombings has been going on for over three months. The RAF meets hardly any opposition over Germany and France, but Germany in turn does not seem to be affected much by the routine egg-laying of the British bombers.

Britain Demands West Front Now to Aid USSR

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Reverbrook said, adding that British tanks, as well as planes, already had arrived there safely and "will be suitable for winter operations."

He said he believed the Soviet Union would fight even if Moscow falls but cautioned that he was not suggesting that he anticipated capture of the Soviet capital.

He revealed officially for the first time that Britain renounced some supplies earmarked for her by the United States so that they could be sent to the Soviet Union.

Harriman attributed the Soviet Union's stand against the Germans to two factors—mechanization and morale.

"I got the impressions," he said, "that the Russians are resolutely determined to fight to the last with faith in their ultimate victory realizing that America and Britain are behind them."

"How far behind the Russians are we going to stand?" an American newspaperman asked.

Harriman laughed.

He said that since his last visit to the Soviet Union 15 years ago "the Russians have mastered machinery."

"Russian aviation and tank troops have become expert me-

chanics," he said. "No group of Americans or British ever learned to fly new planes as quickly and competently as the Russians. Maintenance of planes also is excellent."

He said some members of the American mission had visited munitions factories near Moscow and had found well-equipped and latest-type American machinery. American engineers said Soviet workmanship in repairing American planes was better than anything in the United States, he added.

RAF Blasts Nazi Convoys Off Norway

LONDON, Oct. 10 (UP).—The Admiralty announced today that the fleet air arm has carried out a series of raids on Germany's northern sea routes to the Soviet Union, scoring hits on four ships totaling about 5,500 tons.

The Admiralty said the attacks occurred Wednesday and were centered on Vestfjord, Norway, and on a convoy sighted off the Norwegian coast near Bodoe.

The attacks on Vestfjord began at dawn when naval planes carried out the first raid, the Admiralty said.

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But today the moral and political considerations, calling ever louder for that step, are impres-

sively joined by an immediate and compelling motive which is military. We should declare war now because the present moment is unique and fleeting—the peril is at its height, but also its reversal can be overwhelming. Never at any time since Hitler launched his first assault could America have produced so great an effect by this declaration alone.

Five thousand miles away on the frosty plains before Moscow the Nazi army craves forward, hoping to deliver a knockout. The battlefield is too far away for American tanks to be sent in time. It is too hard to reach for even the British to give effective aid. The Russians fight alone. We cannot reinforce them.

And so we stand by for news of the outcome with a deepening sense of the tragic stakes, a sense

ing to make the great choice will render certain a future infinitely more hazardous and difficult.

The opportunity is to declare war on Germany. That decision cannot be side-stepped eventually, and the time for it is now.

The declaration itself is the immediate weapon, the superlative aid against Hitler. Battleships, warplanes and tanks can strike their blows later. The word today would be the sword.

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We Will Win, Says Secret Radio in People's Plea

(By Wireless to Inter-Continental News)

ISTANBUL, Oct. 10.—A flaming people's revolt against Hitler is sweeping Bulgaria and all the other Balkan countries, regardless of the cringing attitude of the pro-Nazi Bulgarian governmental clique, declared Christo Boteff over the illegal Bulgarian radio station on Wednesday.

Boteff bitterly denounced the Bulgarian governmental leaders, who, he said, have made themselves and the Bulgarian army into Hitler's gendarmes for policing the Balkans. He made it clear that the Bulgarian rulers were making themselves hated by the Serbs, Croats, Montenegrins and Macedonians, and hated by the Bulgarian people themselves, because they were carrying out the contemptible role of confederates of the German and Italian occupation forces in enslaving the Balkan peoples.

"Yugoslavia is in the flames of a people's struggle against the foreign fascist yoke," declared Christo Boteff, announcer, "yet our rulers who have betrayed the country and its honor, not only cringe to the bloodthirsty Hitler but want to make us confederates of these murderers of the free people who are strangling our brothers in blood—the Serbs, Croats, Montenegrins and Macedonians."

DENOUNCES NAZI PUPPETS

"Our rulers are a party to his shameful work and are converting our army and administration into Hitler gendarmes in the Balkans, into executioners of the freedom-loving Balkan peoples and thereby making the name of Bulgaria detestable to all the Balkan peoples."

"But we express the true sentiment of the Bulgarian people and its true will: over the heads of the second-rate traitors who make up Hitler's corrupt clique, we extend heartfelt and sincere greetings to our brother Serbs, Croats, Montenegrins and Macedonians who have risen so courageously against the German and Italian invaders and their Bulgarian gendarmes."

"We are with you, Brothers! The day is high when the chains of fascist slavery will be destroyed in the fire of the popular revolt in the Balkans and with them an end will be put to the misdeeds and shameful treachery of Hitler's Bulgarian lackeys."

4 U. S. Eagle Squadron Pilots Killed in Crashes

LONDON, Oct. 10 (UP).—Four members of the American Eagle Squadron have been killed in plane crashes in Britain, it was announced tonight.

They were: Flight-Lieut. Andrew Mamedoff, 30, Thompson, Conn., where his mother resides.

Pilot-Officer Hugh Harrison McCull, 24, South Pasadena, Calif., where his father resides. He was born in Minneapolis, Minn.

Pilot-Officer William Joseph White, 21, Topeka, Kan., where his father resides. He was born in Belvidere, Calif.

Pilot-Officer Roy Neale Stout, Jr., 25, of Kansas City, Mo., where parents reside.

'Sudden Tenderness' Irks the Fascists

ROME, Oct. 10 (UP).—An accusation that White Guard Russians, "who accepted hospitality in Axis nations for 20 years," have suddenly felt a "certain tenderness for the Bolsheviks" was made today by the newspaper Piccolo, which suggested that they be sent to a Russian Arctic island after the war is over.

The newspaper said the Fascists will not have anything further to do with such White Guard Russians and that it "seems impossible that such sentiments should exist, but nevertheless, there it is."

New York Greek workers determined to see their motherland free of the source of Hitlerism will meet Sunday at 2 P.M. at Hotel Diplomat to urge support for President Roosevelt's foreign policy.

The meeting is sponsored by Greek labor leaders and the Greek Labor Anti-Fascist Committee which represents organized Greek workers and many progressive national organizations in New York.

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Already we have heard opportunity knocking. Premier Reynaud appealed to President Roosevelt from the agency of mid-June, 1940: "Our fight, each day more painful, has no further sense if in continuing we do not see even far away the hope of a common victory growing."

America, inspiring that hope, might have kept France still in the battle, at least with its navy and its army in Africa.

But the opportunity passed, and now France is a weapon against us. Russia today, still fighting after unbelievable sacrifice, might well repeat Premier Reynaud's appeal. And today America is able to answer as it could not last

year—to kindle the hope of a common victory, not so far away. Russia needs help, and that would be at the same time the greatest possible help to Britain, which also needs it. Without Russia and with America still non-belligerent, Britain would stand alone—a single small island thirty miles away from the invasion coast, the one active center of opposition to Hitler in all the world. Britain needs this help directly. And after Britain, the security of America demands it.

The historic opportunity lies in our hand today for an effect beyond the power of contradiction. It must be seized. And linked to it is the alternative danger. Left alone in the world, the opportunity may never return. But today it is here. Without delay, let the United States declare war on Germany.

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Mark China's Independence Anniversary



Chinese Unity Symbolized in City Parade

Groups Join Liberation March to Celebrate Birth of Republic

The narrow streets of New York's Chinatown were packed tight with onlookers yesterday as a parade symbolizing China's unity and liberation marched in commemoration of the 30th Anniversary of the Chinese Republic, founded October 10, 1911, by Dr. Sun Yat Sen.

Sponsored by the China Relief Association, the parade dramatized the dissolution of factions among the Chinese people among whom old feuds have been forgotten in the united effort to defeat Hitler's Japanese partner.

The "Lion Dance," an important part of the parade, which symbolizes China's awakening, was enacted jointly by members of the On Leong Association, the Oak China Family Association, and the Hawk-Sun Regional Association. All of these organizations were formerly engaged in bitter factional struggles.

The parade, in which some 500 picked people took part, marched along Mott Street between Pell and Canal. Hanging from the buildings all through Chinatown and carried by the marching Chinese were the flags of the American and Chinese Republics. A tremendous Chinese Republic flag, carried by members of the Women's New Life Association, which is headed by Madame Chiang Kai-shek, caught the contributions which rained down from windows high above the street and were tossed into the flag by people standing on the sidewalks.

Madame Sun Yat-sen, widow of the great founder of the Chinese Republic, in a message to "friends in America, Great Britain and the Soviet Union," yesterday emphasized the need of world unity in the face of fascist aggression, declaring: "I am very glad to know that at last, in a period of world crisis, we have found a real common basis for full cooperation in active resistance to the world threat of fascist domination."

Indicative of the new China which has risen on the night of the people's resistance to the invader was the modern dress and air of the young Chinese people in yesterday's parade. In contrast to their elders, many of whom were dressed in the traditional Chinese robes, the youngsters wore the easy, modern western dress but proudly displayed the flag of the Chinese Republic on their sweater fronts.

Greek Workers to Spur Aid at Rally Tomorrow

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'Gates to Moscow Barred'—Red Army Answers Nazi Lies



New York's

Chinese community yesterday marked the 30th anniversary of the Chinese Republic with parades and demonstrations. Photo at top shows a section of the parade; below, two majorities cross their batons to form a V-Victory symbol during the parade. The Chinese Republic was founded Oct. 10, 1911 by Dr. Sun Yat Sen.

—Daily Worker Photo

25 Czechs Executed; Serbs in Open Battle

BERLIN, Oct. 10 (UP).—Twenty-five Czechs, including a governmental official, were executed in Bohemia-Moravia today and reports from Serbia told of a pitched battle in which 12 anti-Nazis were killed.

(The Berlin radio heard by the United Press listening post in New York said that a Bulgarian tribunal at Varna had sentenced to death two persons for espionage and sabotage. A woman was sentenced to life imprisonment and three other persons given 15-year terms.)

(Vichy reports said a freight train had been derailed near Paris in the first act of railroad sabotage in occupied France in recent weeks. Another Frenchman was said to have been executed for illegal possession of firearms.)

The executions were carried out only a few hours after summary courts at Prague and Brunn had convicted the men of "economic sabotage" and illegal possession of firearms.

Those shot were identified as Ottokar Frankenberg, a department chief in the Agriculture Ministry at Prague; Alois Valecek, a farmer, and Ferdinand Valecek, a policeman. The others were hanged.

An official DNB agency dispatch from Belgrade said that besides those killed, 2 were captured, but gave no details of the reported battle. It was assumed that either police or troops had opposed the insurgents.

(The Soviet communiqué, as broadcast by the Moscow radio, reported that fierce fighting had developed in Serbia along the railway line passing through Valjevo, Sabac and Obrenovo. Guerrillas were said to have captured several hundred German troops and seized a large amount of ammunition in one town.)

Steinhardt Postpones

MOSCOW, Oct. 10 (UP).—The United States Embassy announced today that Ambassador Laurence A. Steinhardt had postponed his scheduled trip to America indefinitely.

In addition 800 tons of supplies, including some American stocks, already have been sent to the Soviet Union.

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America, inspiring that hope, might have kept France still in the battle, at least with its navy and its army in Africa.

But the opportunity passed, and now France is a weapon against us. Russia today, still fighting after unbelievable sacrifice, might well repeat Premier Reynaud's appeal. And today America is able to answer as it could not last

year—to kindle the hope of a common victory, not so far away. Russia needs help, and that would be at the same time the greatest possible help to Britain, which also needs it. Without Russia and with America still non-belligerent, Britain would stand alone—a single small island thirty miles away from the invasion coast, the one active center of opposition to Hitler in all the world. Britain needs this help directly. And after Britain, the security of America demands it.

The historic opportunity lies in our hand today for an effect beyond the power of contradiction. It must be seized. And linked to it is the alternative danger. Left alone in the world, the opportunity may never return. But today it is here. Without delay, let the United States declare war on Germany.

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Hitler Losses Colossal; Soviets Rush Best Troops as Situation Is Grave

(By Wireless to Inter-Continental News)

MOSCOW, Oct. 10.—Goebbels' claims to having encircled the Soviet armies on the Central Front were exploded today in an article in Red Star, Red Army organ, which declared that wherever Red Army units have retreated in the face of superior forces they have done so in an organized fashion at the orders of the High Command.

Red Star, however, made no attempt to minimize the gravity of the situation at the front, pointing out that the peril was greatest in "the vital industrial sections in the western direction of the front and Azov district." Nevertheless, Red Star declared, the fascist offensive can be smashed and smashed decisively. The Red Army, the article said, has the forces to ensure the failure of the Nazi drive.

In a second article in today's issue Red Star describes details of the action on the Vyazma and Orel fronts. The report reveals the enormous price being paid by the Nazis for their advances and the elastic defense in depth character of the Red Army resistance, particularly in the Orel sector, where the Nazis were stopped by forces inferior in manpower and equipment. The first article follows:

PAY TERRIBLE PRICE

"The Nazi troops have advanced in the Vyazma and Bryansk directions. Hitler's hordes have also succeeded in pressing our units in the Melitopol direction and advancing towards the Sea of Azov. After the third day of their offensive, the German fascist High Command, through Goebbels' liars, made haste to announce that the Soviet armies were surrounded and that now all roads were open to the Germans."

"But thousands of fresh German graves, hundreds of trains carrying the wounded back to Germany, are the best refutation of this lie. The Soviet troops, with nearly four months experience of war against the Germans, are fighting courageously and steadfastly. They cannot be intimidated by shouts of 'encirclement'."

"Putting up a stout defense, they launch constant counter-attacks which cause the enemy heavy losses in men and material and when they do retire under the pressure of superior numbers, they do so in an organized manner at the orders of the High Command, maintaining their equipment and the direction of operations."

"They take up new positions and continue repelling the enemy onslaught."

VITAL CENTERS MENACED

"The situation is an extremely grave one and particularly menacing for the vital industrial centers in the western direction of the front and the Azov district."

"The fascist beast can be curbed only by the streams of his own blood. Everywhere, on all sectors of the front, at every step, the invaders must be destroyed, their manpower annihilated and their equipment wrecked with even greater vigor and stubbornness."

"The failure of this new fascist offensive will play a tremendous part in the development of the whole war. To repel the enemy onslaught now means not only to cause the Hitlerites tremendous losses in men and material, it means undermining their spirits and activity. All the possibilities for this exist. The Soviet troops, steeled in the fire of battle, can no longer be daunted. They know how to smash the fascist wedges and pincer movements."

"Soviet reserves are being brought into action, our best forces are coming to aid the front."

The second article follows:

"Fierce fighting continues in the Vyazma direction. The fascists, having concentrated numerically superior forces, are launching furious onslaughts against Soviet troops."

"On a number of sectors the enemy again succeeded in advancing. The Soviet units are putting up fierce resistance and inflicting heavy losses on the enemy."

NAZI THRUST FAILS

"In the course of several days one of the Soviet units was defending the position on River B. The enemy attacking this sector of defense in concentrated bombing raids, threw a large number of tanks and infantry into the battle, accompanied by artillery fire. Only at the price of enormous losses did the enemy finally succeed in breaking into the depth of defense of the Soviet unit."

"However, this did not break the will of the Soviet fighters to continue resistance. The unit continued to give battle although encircled and soon took cover together with the artillery and transports in anti-tank sectors earlier prepared."

"Entrenching themselves in these districts the sub-division fired point-blank at the enemy tanks and intercepted the roads, thus crippling the enemy's maneuverability. At the same time, the greater part of the German infantry was cut off from the tanks and wiped out by fire."

"Despite the extremely difficult situation the direction of the troops

and artillery fire were not interrupted."

ENCIRCLEMENT BLOCKED

"Only after receiving the order to withdraw did the unit begin to withdraw in full order from one anti-tank sector to another, beating off the attacks of the enemy."

"The unit joined its troops with its armaments and transports intact and once again occupied a new defense line."

"The German casualties exceeded more than 1,000 men. Dozens of enemy tanks were destroyed by artillery fire."

"One of the Soviet formations which the Germans tried to encircle launched a counter-attack and routed an enemy motorized formation which lost 4,000 killed on the battlefield."

"Actively defending itself and launching counter-attacks the unit, with the support of the neighboring troops, dislodged the Germans from village K, where the enemy lost another 500 killed, 86 sub-machine guns, six mine-throwers and a large amount of other armaments."

"The enemy's losses are just as colossal on other sectors of the Vyazma direction."

220 TANKS WIPED OUT

"The Red Army men under the command of Gen. Ivan Boldin wiped out some 220 German tanks, 140 trucks, 23 mine-throwers, six guns and approximately 7,000-8,000 fascist soldiers, in the course of five days."

"Everywhere every inch of Soviet soil is drenched with the blood of the Germans."

"The enemy continues to rush up fresh forces in his effort to press back the Soviet units."

"The days preceding the capture of Orel by the Germans were days of fierce battles. Breaking through to Klukhov district the fascists repeatedly attempted to strike at the Soviet defense units in the direction of Bryansk and to the east of it. But everywhere the enemy met with stubborn resistance and all his attempts to seize the adjacent towns and important districts yielded no results."

"The Germans thereupon began drawing up their reserves. Rushing up all they possessed and fleeing their 'allies,' the Germans launched a new offensive. They began to probe the less fortified sectors of the Soviet defense."

PAY DEARLY FOR OREL

"The blows on Bryansk again yielded naught. After those failures the fascists decided to move on Orel without weakening their pressure on Bryansk."

"In the direction of Orel the Germans succeeded in gaining big numerical superiority which enabled them to pierce the Soviet defense and emerge on the city. Here the enemy tank columns again encountered strong resistance in the battle for the city, lasting three days."

"The enemy paid dearly for the capture of Orel. The approaches to the city are littered with dozens of wrecked enemy tanks and trucks destroyed by Soviet aircraft and artillery fire. The fascists likewise sustained colossal losses in manpower."

"After occupying Orel the German mechanized groups tried to advance further northwards. But already on the city's outskirts the Germans clashed with the Soviet tanks that arrived on the scene of action. They constituted the advance sub-divisions."

"A short tank battle ensued and several fascist tanks burst into flames. The enemy, withdrawing his fighting machines and putting up a strong anti-tank barrier, took up a defensive position."

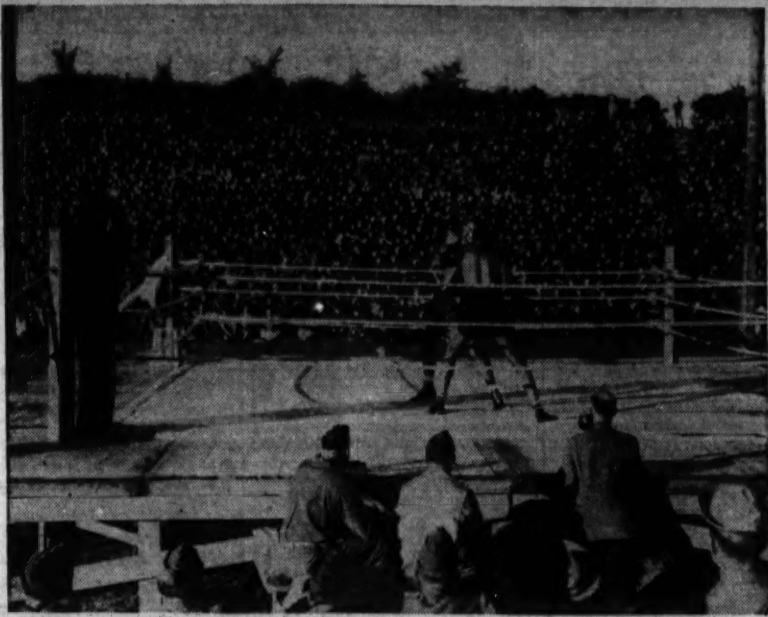
"On the following day the Germans threw considerable forces into the battle and regardless of the losses were able to press back the Soviet advance sub-divisions."

"As a result of the long and dogged fighting the enemy succeeded in advancing several kilometers, but here again the enemy columns came up against stout defense."

"Repulsed, the Germans have begun to operate prudently, but nevertheless, still trying to advance. They are throwing groups of 30 to 50 tanks into the battle in their attempt to feel out the vulnerable spots of the Soviet defense."

"However, they are meeting with stubborn resistance and telling blows everywhere."

"The road to the north of Orel is barred."



Joe Louis Shows the Army some of the fine points which have made him a great champion. Here he is seen in one of his Army camp exhibition bouts with Selman Martin (back to camera) at Camp Grant, Illinois. Some of the thousands of troops who assembled in Bell Bowl are shown in the foreground and background.

Communist Nominees Withdraw, Urge Anti-Hitler Unity in Race

(Continued from Page 1)

win the war against Hitlerism. Everything must be subordinated to this aim.

Viewing the situation in much the same light, the Central Trades and Labor Council (AFL), the Industrial Union Council (CIO), the American Labor Party, progressive and independent voters generally, have decided to support the anti-Hitler, anti-Tammany candidate, Mayor LaGuardia.

For the defeat of reaction, for the defense of our country, Communist candidates have often decided to run in order to help achieve unity behind non-Communist.

Mayor LaGuardia's Comments

Commenting on the withdrawal of the Communist city-wide nominees from the election race, Mayor LaGuardia yesterday issued the following statement:

"I have not sought, I do not seek and I do not want Communist support. I have repeatedly stated that I do not want the support of the Communist Party.

"Anybody voting for me votes with the complete knowledge that I believe in the American form of government, in the Constitution of the United States and that I shall continue to protect the rights of everyone under the Constitution and enforce the laws of our land.

"I shall continue to support and defend our form of government in accordance with my oath of office."

Communist progressive candidates. This was done in 1937. In 1938, all Communist candidates for state office including the gubernatorial candidate were withdrawn in order to help unite the people behind the American Labor Party candidates.

Unity of the entire labor, progressive and anti-Tammany movement behind LaGuardia is only possible because LaGuardia is the anti-Hitler unity candidate in New York City. And the war against Hitler is the all-inclusive issue before our city and nation.

LaGuardia has been one of the earliest supporters of the President's policy of defeating Hitler. He occupies one of the most important positions in national defense organizations.

The social welfare achievements of the LaGuardia administration are administered by its Tammany opponents.

We greet the unity thus far achieved by the organized labor movement and the anti-Hitler and anti-Tammany forces, and have declined our nomination in order to help strengthen and broaden this unity.

CRITICAL OF POLICIES

We have been and are sharply critical of the mistakes and shortcomings of the LaGuardia administration. We disagree with the Mayor's labor policy toward the city's employees. We have criticized his countenancing of the Rapp-Coudert Committee and the Deane witch-hunting legislation. Not enough has been done by the city administration to stop rent-raising, price increases, or in cleaning up its slums. The city administration has not done all it can and should do to wipe out discrimination against the Negro people and improve the living conditions of our Negro citizens.

Every responsible political party, whether it be acting on Congressional legislation or a municipal election, must subordinate its own partisan interests to the historic national duties of the period. The Communists, who have no interests apart from the great masses of the nation, insist that such an attitude must prevail in our city election.

The Communist candidates, therefore, without assuming re-

sponsibility for LaGuardia or his running mates and without giving up criticism of their weaknesses, are withdrawing from the race.

The unity and activity of labor and the progressive forces behind the anti-Hitler candidacy of Mayor LaGuardia is the only guarantee of victory. It is the only guarantee that the mistakes and shortcomings of the city administration will be remedied, that it will be a consistent friend of labor.

The people of our city want no part of either Hitler or Tammany. The O'Dwyer managers know this well. The Davies defeat in the Republican primaries has convinced them that an open apocryphal candidate is doomed to defeat. The acceptance speech of William P. O'Dwyer, Tammany Mayorial candidate, was an unprincipled demagogic attempt to hide behind President Roosevelt. Tammany did not dare fly in the face of the overwhelming anti-Hitler sentiment of the people.

Mr. O'Dwyer denies the danger that America faces. O'Dwyer had not a word in favor of the President's policy of protecting our ships, carrying aid to the countries fighting our fight. He did not mention convoys or "shooting on sight" the Nazi pirates that torpedo our ships. The people of Leningrad, Moscow and London, the Red Army and the RAF are heroically battling our enemy and the enemy of all mankind. But O'Dwyer did not have a word to say about the Eastern Front, about extending lend-lease aid to the Soviet Union, about repeal of the Neutrality Act, about opening up a Western Front. Tammany O'Dwyer denies that the war against Hitler is our war and must be won. In word and deed he denies the crucial need for unity of all Americans, regardless of social, political or economic views, regardless of race, creed or color, in a national front against Hitler.

Mr. O'Dwyer pretends the war is not an issue at all and this election is just another municipal election. He would blind us to the Nazi danger abroad and the apparent danger from within—by a policy of business as usual, labor as usual, politics as usual. Instead of a united fight against Hitler, he attempts to split and confuse the anti-Hitler camp with the cry of "Communism."

Communism is not the issue. The issue in this election is a united all-out defense of our country and the defeat of Hitler. The issue is the enforcement and support of President Roosevelt's Foreign policy of smashing Hitler. Tammany nominee O'Dwyer's lip service to President Roosevelt's policies were calculated to create minimum damage for him among the appeasers and maximum confusion among the anti-Nazis and progressives. O'Dwyer follows the

policy of the anti-Hitler camp with the cry of "Communism."

We fully appreciate the confidence of the 45,000 New York voters who signed our nominating petition. We feel honored by their trust and confidence in us. We thank them most sincerely. We feel confident that these thousands of anti-Hitler voters want

Cacchione Makes First Radio Talk Tomorrow



PETER V. CACCHIONE

Peter V. Cacchione, returning to election campaign activity after hospital treatment for an eye ailment, will be heard for the first time on the radio in the present municipal election campaign on Station WHOM (1480 kc.) tomorrow night at 9:45.

Cacchione, Brooklyn Communist councilman candidate, will speak briefly and introduce Mario D'Inizio, who will make a special Columbus Day address in Italian.

Other "Unité for Victory" broadcasts, sponsored by the New York City Election Campaign Committee, Communist Party, for the week end and early next week are:

SUNDAY: Paul Novik, editor of the Morning Freiheit, speaking in Yiddish over WHOM, 10:45 A. M.
MONDAY: James W. Ford, WMCA, 9:45 P. M. Monday, speaking in behalf of the Communist councilman candidates.

Shipowner Stalling on Pact May Block Aid

Curran Informs FDR of Union Position on Contract

Failure of steamship operators to recognize the need for increase of wages and working conditions for American seamen, many of whom are engaged in the transportation of cargoes into war zones, has resulted in a stalemate of negotiations, Joseph Curran, NMU president, informed President Roosevelt yesterday.

The union's agreements with 28 steamship companies expired on Sept. 30.

"The National Maritime Union," the President was informed, "cannot accept responsibility for confusion or interference with the smooth flow of commerce which this obstinate position of the operators may project."

"Since the outbreak of hostilities the NMU has consistently maintained a continuous movement of vessels and settlement of all disputes through the peaceful channels contained in the machinery of contracts. This machinery does not now exist because the contracts have expired," the telegram to the President stated.

The union's demands include higher wages and adjustment of working conditions to conform to the rising costs of living and unusual working regulations which did not exist when the last agreement was negotiated two years ago.

The union is also demanding that the wages and working standards of all American seamen be made uniform. There is no differential in living costs, taxation of income of the men who man America's merchant vessels. American steamship operators have virtually the same operating costs, including insurance rates, costs of fuel, repairs and supplies.

The present differentials in wages—which the NMU contends is deliberately maintained by the shipowners to foster disunity in the ranks of trade unions—only results in confusion and delay in the free flow of commerce, which is so vital to the defense of our country at this time.

us to do what we are doing—declining our nomination for the city and county offices.

Our declarations leave only councilman candidates as Communist, anti-Hitler, candidates in this election. Under Proportional Representation, the pro-labor, anti-Hitler and anti-Tammany voters can vote first choice for Peter V. Cacchione in Brooklyn, Israel Amter in Manhattan, Isidore Begun in the Bronx, Paul Crobie in Queens, and give other choices to the other labor, anti-Hitler and anti-Tammany candidates.

Your first choice vote for the Communist councilman candidates, and other choices for other progressive anti-Hitler candidates is using your vote to the full. A first choice vote for the Communist candidate in your Borough is a vote for unity and victory against Hitler. It is a vote for all-out aid to Great Britain, the Soviet Union, China and all other countries fighting Nazism. It is a vote for full participation by America in opening up a Western Front against the Nazi barbarians.

A first-choice vote for the Communist councilman candidates is a vote against Tammany, for labor's rights and national defense—for a program of civic and social reform. It is a vote against the Lindberghs, Coughlins and the Bund. It is a vote for full rights for the Negro people and against discrimination of Jews, Catholics and Negroes.

Let us march in united ranks—Americans all—in the great struggle of all humanity to smash Hitler and Hitlerism forever. Let us march together, proud citizens of our great city, to defeat the appeasers and Bundists in this municipal election campaign.

ISRAEL AMTER, Candidate for Mayor.

ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, Candidate for Comptroller.

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BEN DAVIS, JR., Candidate for District Attorney, New York County.

ROBERT A. CAMPBELL, Candidate for President, Borough of Brooklyn.

THOMAS P. DWYER, Candidate for Sheriff, Kings County.

FAY CALLER, Candidate for Register, Kings County.

TIMOTHY HOLMES, Candidate for President, Borough of Bronx.

VALENTIN BORGES, Candidate for Sheriff, Bronx County.

MARY HIMOFF, Candidate for Register, Bronx County.

MARY CROTTO, Candidate for President, Borough of Queens.

GEORGE GRAVES, Candidate for Sheriff, Queens County.

JOSEPHINE SASSANO, Candidate for Register, Queens County.

Lumber Union to Act On Call for Full Aid

CIO International Woodworkers Convention Opens With Demand for a Military Defeat of Hitlerism

By Ellen McGrath
(Special to the Daily Worker)

EVERETT, Wash., Oct. 10.—The fifth convention of the International Woodworkers of America, CIO, opened here Wednesday with a report by the general executive board calling for the organization's full strength behind President Roosevelt's all-out-aid policy and calling for a "military defeat" of Hitler.

The convention is attended by 318 delegates from 187 locals, representing the most significant gains in the union's history. Unanimous agreement to seal all the delegates marked the opening of the convention.

A message from Allan S. Haywood, CIO national director, served as a backdrop on the platform.

"It is the hope of the national CIO," the message said, "that every officer and member of the IWA will approach their convention and the problems with which they are confronted with one main objective—unity and confidence and organization of the unorganized."

REPORT BACKS MURRAY

President O. M. Orton moved swiftly into the business of the convention as he took the gavel. Reading of the lengthy report submitted by executive officers Orton and B. J. McCarty, international secretary-treasurer, and supplemental reports occupied the opening day's sessions.

Supplemental reports were given by vice president Worth Lowery and Adolph Germer, organization director.

"We know the delegates from the IWA to the coming CIO convention will join with the other affiliates to call for reelection of Philip Murray to the Presidency of the CIO. And with that call will go our pledge of our fullest cooperation and support to his great leadership," the report said.

Strengthening of international ties with organized labor in Britain and the Soviet Union was urged to speed the fight against Hitlerism.

"President Roosevelt has proclaimed our unity with the nations at war with Hitler. We wholeheartedly endorse this position and labor must work as one man toward the common goal—the military destruction of the despicable Hitler machine," the report said.

"It would seem that the logic of events in their development, the common purpose, make it essential that American labor join on equal footing and with equal purpose to the growing cooperation between the British and Soviet trade unions."

Warning that monopoly-controlled dollar-a-year men are the bottlenecks in defense production, the report called for labor participation in government boards through adoption of the Murray Plan.

Menace of the America First Committee was stressed.

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Repeal of the Neutrality Act and vigilance of labor against anti-labor legislation was urged. Backing of the CIO's program for more equitable taxation was stressed.

SUPPORT BRIDGES

In a withering denunciation of Judge Sears' decision, the report backed Harry Bridges in his fight against deportation.

"By aiding him (Harry Bridges) we aid the CIO, all organized workers and defeat the attack upon American democracy."

"A total of 54 functioning local unions have been added to the International since the convention of last year and approximately 18,000 newly organized workers have joined the IWA between August, 1940 and August, 1941," the report said. Wage increases of seven and one-half cents hourly, vacations with

pay, elimination of piece work or "busheling," and steps to improve

safety standards were approved in the report.

Stabilization of the lumber industry for the national defense emergency through adoption of the Murray plan and a program to protect the forest resource was proposed.

Stressing the responsibilities of labor during the present time, the report warned:

"The unanimity of opinion with which these problems are approached is the gauge of their successful fulfillment."

In a report on organization, Germer said:

"Substantial if not miraculous headway has been made during the past year."

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Red Army Slows Nazi Advance, Foils Trap

Gains in Leningrad, Murmansk Battles; Rush Reserves

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planes in one day destroyed 26 tanks, three armored cars, 109 motor cars, 48 light guns, 21 heavy guns and many oil tanks.

Soviet planes were said to have bombed four ships carrying supplies to the Germans in the Far North. A supply ship of about 1,000 tons was left burning, one of 1,500 tons was abandoned by its crew after a bomb hit and two 2,000-ton ships in a convoy were hit by bombs, it was reported.

Red Star, the Army organ, said that "we have everything" to repel the thrusts, that "our troops, steeled by fire of battle, cannot be intimidated; they know how to crush the fascist wedges and pincers... new reserves are entering the battle... our best strength is now en route to assist the front men."

German reports that Marshal Belyon Timoshenko's Central Front armies defending Moscow had been trapped in a pincer movement were flatly denied. Soviet spokesmen were optimistic over the general situation, except in the area of Vyazma and Bryansk southwest of Moscow, and in the Azov Sea coast sector of the Southern Front, where German gains were said to have been made.

NAZIS FAIL TO ADVANCE

Red Star said that some of the Soviet withdrawals were for strategic purposes, "pursuant to the orders of the High Command for preserving material and maintaining control" when a superior enemy force is encountered.

The Army organ displayed more concern over the situation in the South, saying that an "extraordinarily grave menace faces vital industrial centers in a West direction and in the Azov regions."

Italian, Rumanian and Hungarian troops aided the Germans in the battles near Melitopol said Red Star, and the Red Army was pushed back toward the Sea of Azov after inflicting huge losses on the attackers. A Red Star correspondent said that "these temporary successes cost the fascist enormous sacrifices... after each battle the field was strewn with thousands of dead, dozens of hundreds of tanks, armored cars and guns."

ROUT ALPINE TROOPS

At Murmansk, in the Far North, the 138th, 139th and 388th German Alpine regiments were reported routed and thrown back four miles across the Liza River with the loss of 2,000 casualties. At Leningrad, Red Star said, Soviet tanks were rolling from the factories straight to the front lines in such numbers as to force the Germans to abandon their offensive and to "hang on tooth and nail" to their positions. Col. Konkov's Red Army forces were said to have crossed the "V" river and pushed the Germans back although the Germans "retreated desperately," and called in fresh reserves.

Farther south, in the Lake Ilmen sector where the Germans were supposed to have started a drive on Moscow from the northwest, no new developments were reported. Massed German airplanes, tanks and artillery were said to be suffering heavy losses around Vyazma. Troops under Gen. Ivan Boldin were said to have destroyed 220 German tanks and 140 trucks and to have killed from 7,000 to 8,000 Germans in five days of fighting at one sector of Vyazma Front. Soviet airplanes were credited with destroying 300 tanks and 500 trucks in three days near Vyazma. A communiqué detailed a long list of German equipment destroyed in that and other sectors, including 65 tanks destroyed and 1,000 German soldiers killed in a three-day battle at one point; 54 trucks loaded with infantrymen in another; 36 carsloads of infantrymen in another. Soviet planes were said to have caused much of the damage.

SOVIET COUNTER-ATTACKS

The newspaper Ivestia said Boldin, who already has fought his way out of one encirclement near Vyazma, was making "bold counter-attacks."

"The fascist command, after a three-day offensive, has hastened to hofog and deceive the German people by declaring that Soviet armies are surrounded and that all roads are open for the Germans, but thousands of new graves of German officers and men, and thousands of new hospital trains en route to Germany clearly belie this delirium," the newspaper said.

The newspaper Pravda urged all citizens to steel themselves against rumor-mongering and sabotage behind the Soviet lines by German fifth columnists. It said that the Nazi ghouls so far have not ventured to use chemicals but they have been using the foul gas of lies from the first days of the war, poisoning the ether with them, and scattering leaflets with forged documents and photographs.

RUSSIA'S "SCORCHED EARTH" calls to America's green fields!

SOLEMN truth, Americans face this fact! Russia's mighty stand against Hitler's invading hordes has opened up a vast, valuable new front against Hitlerism.

In swift recognition of a new turn of events, the leaders of the United States and Great Britain jointly issued this solemn statement: "We realize how vitally important to the defeat of Hitlerism is the brave and thoughtful resistance of the Soviet Union, and we feel therefore that we must not in any circumstances fail to act quickly and resolutely in this matter of planning the program for the future education of our youth."

And this nation's policy is being put into action with full military aid being expedited by both this country and Great Britain.

But not only are Russia's armies standing against Hitler! Russia's men and women are revealing themselves to the world—brave, proud, stalwart! They have searched the very earth before the invading armies, burned their

houses, destroyed their loved possessions and industrial achievements so that only the sturdiest, smoldering ashes have been left for the invader. Russian men and women have made this sacrifice willingly. The seeds sown by their sacrifice are urgent.

Moved not only by their humanitarianism but attracted by the common sense Americanism, an eminent group of citizens of the United States has volunteered to form a sponsoring committee for the collection of Russian Relief funds.

The Russian are daily proving that they do not just endure—they have in noble quantity! That they do not just resist food, clothing, medical aid, to help them keep strong against Hitler and to replace the deficits caused by voluntary destruction of their assets.

The dollar you give in this cause is dollar given to Russia's cause. Our Government is providing of possible military supplies to the Government of Russia. The people of America will search out a helping hand to support the people of Russia so valiantly fighting in defense of their homeland.

You are urged to contribute however much you can to a deserving cause.

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FDR Starts Health Plan To 'Salvage' Unfit Youth

President Reveals 50% of Draftees Rejected for Ailments

WASHINGTON, Oct. 10 (UP).—President Roosevelt criticized the nation today for permitting conditions which have left 50 per cent of its youth unfit mentally or physically for army service, and inaugurated a program to "salvage" 200,000 of the 1,000,000 youths who have been rejected.

Under the salvage program, the Federal Government will pay medical costs for treatment by local physicians of approximately 200,000 registrants whom local draft boards certify as susceptible to rehabilitation for army service.

The army expects to accept virtually all of these 200,000 after they undergo treatment by family physicians or dentists at federal expense, Mr. Roosevelt said.

Describing the salvage program as only the initial objective, Mr. Roosevelt said that existence of conditions which permit so high a rate of rejections is an indictment of America.

LONG-RANGE PLAN

He said he would launch a long-range program calling for cooperation of states, counties, cities, townships and individuals to remedy the conditions which are the underlying cause of the bad situation.

He released statistics collected by Selective Service headquarters, showing that approximately 1,000,000 men have been disqualified for army service because of physical, mental or educational conditions.

Mr. Roosevelt was asked by what authority registrants could be compelled to undergo medical or dental treatment to prepare themselves physically for military service. He replied that when a registrant appears before an examining board he is under the jurisdiction of that board and can be directed to undergo such treatment.

Conjecturing that a majority of such persons would be willing and eager to receive free treatment, Mr. Roosevelt said that in cases of recalcitrance the registrant could be inducted into the army, placed under army orders and commanded to undergo treatment.

War to Meet Hitler Attacks, Urges 'Fight For Freedom'

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tion demanding repeal of the Neutrality Act, some delegates expressed hesitation of its passage, saying they feared it would be tantamount to calling for a declaration of war, which they do not favor at the moment.

The resolution declared "we have never urged action against Hitler by saying such action would keep us out of war because we honestly feel that any effective resistance against Nazism means war."

"We believe that unless we act soon it will be forever too late, because Hitlerism cannot be beaten by halfway measures and the fight for freedom cannot be won by the half-hearted."

The resolution was finally adopted by an overwhelming aye vote and then backed up by a roll call of each State delegation.

A good deal of debate also took place on the resolution setting forth the principles of the Continental Congress for Freedom and particularly on the following passage:

"We say that we cannot oppress our neighbor at home, impose unjust burdens upon the weak, seek material gain in this emergency, allow politics to sway us, or permit religious or racial prejudice to divide us, without sharing part of the guilt for the plight of mankind."

The original draft of the Resolution read we cannot "seek profit in this emergency" but it was amended to "material gain" by the delegates.

SAYS YOUTH 'ARE READY'

Speakers during today's session included Stringfellow Barr; the Very Rev. Frederick Beckman, former Dean of the American Cathedral in Paris ousted by the Nazis; Frank Grillo of the CIO United Rubber Workers Union; and Merle Miller, of the First To Fight Division of the Fight For Freedom Committee.

Mr. Miller, who spoke on the resolution adopted by the Youth Section of the Congress yesterday which called for a "Declaration of War," stated that the youth of America "are ready to go to war now."

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Workers Alliance, Brownsville

Local 3 Members Vote Aid for Foes of Hitler

Full aid to Great Britain and the Soviet Union and amendment of the neutrality act to provide "full protection to American merchant vessels" was voted at two membership meetings of Local 3, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, AFL, Thursday night.

The resolution commending the National AFL council and New York State Federation of Labor for the stand taken by those bodies on foreign policy, was adopted unanimously by over 4,000 at a membership meeting of the "A" Division and about

1,500 later of the "I" Division held at Manhattan Center.

Adoption of the resolution at "A" meeting coming immediately after William O'Dwyer, Democratic candidate for Mayor delivered his campaign speech before the workers, also served as a rebuff of the appeasement policies of the candidate.

Only about three votes were seen against the resolution at the "A" meeting.

Mr. O'Dwyer was accorded a formal cordial reception, but it was quite apparent that had Mayor La Guardia been there he would have

gotten a far stronger one. The Mayor was unable to keep his appointment. The union has voted no endorsements, which is its usual policy.

Hugh Morgan, acting business manager of Local 3, in absence of Harry Van Arsdale who is at the AFL convention, reported on the decision in Federal Court against the union holding it guilty of "boycott." Declaring this was one of the far reaching anti-labor decisions that must be fought and defeated, he said the case will be carried to the Supreme Court if necessary.

House Vote Trounces Ban on Soviet Aid

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licans voted against the Rich amendment as for it.

Only 20 Republicans on an improved count voted for the Rich amendment, with about 40 against it. Not a single Democrat was seen voting for the Anti-Soviet proposal.

The lone non-Republican vote for the Rich amendment was cast by Representative Bernard J. Gehrman, Wisconsin Progressive who is lined up with the La Follette appeasement group in his state.

Both on the Democratic and Republican sides there were many votes against the Rich amendment from the allegedly isolationist Midwest which is rapidly becoming a stronghold of support for the Administration's foreign policy.

Technically the vote on the Rich amendment came on the issue of barring Soviet aid or leaving the door open to the President to extend Lend-Lease aid to the Soviet Union if he should choose to do so.

QUICK AID SUPPORTED

Administration spokesmen who appeared before the House Appropriations Committee on the Lend-Lease Bill said that no provision has been made in the current bill for the Soviet Union, but urged that there should be no statutory ban on the Soviet Union.

The fact is, however, as the actual debate indicated, that the vote demonstrated strong support for all-out aid to the Soviet Union at once.

Representative Colmer of Mississippi told the House that the United States has "set out to destroy Hitlerism."

"Who's destroying Hitlerism today?" he asked. "It's the people of Russia. Who's backing Hitler to the wall? It's the people of Russia."

"I wish the people of England would heed the call of Moscow and fight the way the people of Russia are fighting," he declared.

URGES FUNDS TO U.S.S.R.

Colmer said that he would "prefer to see every dollar of this bill get to the Russian people who are really fighting against Hitlerism."

"Let's not be misled by the religious issue," the Mississippi Congressman warned.

Representative Woodrum also expressed the wish that "we had the resources to land the entire \$4,000,000,000 of supplies in this bill in Russia."

Representative Faddis declared that the Russian people "have set the world a lesson in patriotism and self-sacrifice that some other nations might well follow," and that the United States "owes a debt to Russia."

Even Representative John Taber, New York Republican who has stood on the issue of Soviet aid had been considered uncertain, declared that he would consider it "very unfortunate" if the Rich amendment passed.

During most of the day, Republican isolationists concentrated their efforts on amendments to cut specific appropriations or to hem in these efforts were uniformly unsuccessful.

DEFEAT APPROPRIATION ACT

An amendment by Rep. Francis Case, South Dakota Republican, to cut out \$100,000,000 from the \$1,190,000,000 Ordnance item in the bill was defeated by a vote of 133 to 84.

Rep. Albert J. Engel, Michigan Republican, offered an amendment to cut \$80,000,000 from the \$385,000,000 tank appropriation which was voted down by 135 to 83.

Rep. John Taber, New York Republican, tried to smash the \$1,875,000,000 item for agricultural and industrial items by \$300,000,000 but this amendment too was defeated by a vote of 97 to 71.

A proposal by Rep. Rich of Pennsylvania to cut \$40,000

Urge Technicians Rally to Defense At Union Parley

Soviet Architects Greet Convention of FAECT in Detroit

By William Allan
(Special to the Daily Worker)

DETROIT, Oct. 10.—Lewis Alan Berne, president of the Federation of Architects, Engineers, Chemists and Technicians, CIO, in his opening address to the union's sixth annual convention here today called for the rallying of all the vast resources of the technicians of America into a mighty movement to aid in the smashing of Hitlerism.

Berne proposed that a national congress of technical workers be held as the need of the hour for unity, coordination and determination behind national defense.

An inspiring cablegram of greetings reached the convention this morning from the Presidium of Soviet Architects.

"Soviet architects," the message said, "today are giving all of their knowledge, their strength and experience to their country's defense, with many of us fighting in the front lines. For we also know that any creative work, any constructive activity for the wealth of the people is unthinkable without complete victory over Hitler Germany, that vilest enemy of civilization and progress."

The text of the Soviet technicians' cable to the FAECT convention follows:

"Dear colleagues, friends, your convention is assembled in days when millions of sons of our country are defending their homeland, freedom and honor of their people in the titanic struggle against the perditional onslaught of Nazi hordes. This fierce struggle is at the same time a fight for the freedom of all nations enslaved by bloody Hitler tyranny."

"This fight for freedom and happiness of all mankind, in alliance with British combatants and our combatants on land, sea and air, is fighting also for your safety."

"Dear friends, the same criminal aggressor who plunged the nations of Europe into appalling calamities

of war, also threatens you and your great country.

"All of this, with the criminal lust and unlimited power of the German Nazis seeking power the world over, seeks to reduce all nations to slaves of Germany, to establish the gloomiest, most benighted ideas permeated with hatred of men and human civilization."

"We architects, men of art and building, are accustomed to give all our thoughts and aspirations to creative practical work—service to the people and embellishing their life."

"War found Soviet architects in the height of seething building work. Vast work unfolded during recent years in the Soviet Union, reconstruction of old towns, building new cities. Hundreds and thousands of new schools, hospitals, palaces of culture and kindergartens were built."

"We are firmly convinced that we, like you too, are filled with this fearful urge on humanity's body. Remember dear friends in art, this menace exists also for your country despite expanse of ocean separating you from war-engulfed Europe."

"Our country did everything to preserve peace but Hitler Germany perfidiously launched unprovoked attacks against us, trampling pacts and violating all obligations. In doing so Hitler tried to realize his insidious plan of defeating his adversaries, singly and separately."

"But we know this plan will suffer ignominious failure. The mighty coalition of the world's three great-

Spot 'Invader':

Tipped off by a spotting station that an "enemy bomber" is on the prowl, pursuit plane pilots at Mitchell Field, N. Y., check up on an operations map before taking off to repel the "invader." The action occurred in the test of Eastern Seaboard aerial defenses.

est powers, U. S. A., Great Britain and the Soviet Union has been formed against Hitlerism.

"This united effort of great powers, U. S. A., Great Britain and Soviet Union, recently brilliantly demonstrated at the Three-Power Conference in Moscow and will show itself in practice. The success of our cause and future of whole mankind now depends on our solidarity. We are sure that the whole American nation is filled with determination and will with all their strength and power defend civilization and the happiness of mankind against modern barbarism, against bloody Hitlerism."

"On behalf of all the architects of U.S.S.R., we send your convention heartfelt wishes for success and, primarily, ardent wishes for our common victory over the common enemy."

'Free Browder'-Labor Pleas Pour In to FDR

More Ship Crews Urge Release; Support Mounts All Over U. S.

One of the unusual developments in the Free Browder campaign is the number of ships crews cabling or mailing their petitions to President Roosevelt asking for the immediate release of Earl Browder from Atlanta penitentiary, the Citizens' Committee to Free Earl Browder, 1133 Broadway, said yesterday.

The most recent crew to forward such a petition was from the S.S. Mexol.

The entire crew met on board ship and pledged President Roosevelt their unanimous support in the fight against Hitler fascism, and in the administration's program for all-out aid to Great Britain, the Soviet Union and China.

"We as organized seamen," the letter to the President read, "don't hesitate to give our all in the defense of our country for the defeat of Hitler."

URGES BROWDER RELEASE

Their letter to the Chief Executive added that in order truly to meet the challenge of fascism there must be national unity.

"The recent sentence of Earl Browder of four years to prison on a mere technical passport charge," the crew's letter read, "is in our estimation entirely inconsistent and reflects upon the courts of our country."

Yes, a flagrant miscarriage of justice and a grave wrong has been committed. Browder was not sent to prison because of an alleged passport fraud. We sincerely believe that Earl Browder has been unjustly dealt with, and we urge you, Mr. President, to release Earl Browder."

The crew pointed out that an outstanding fighter against fascism like Browder remains in jail, while "people like Lindbergh, Coughlin, McCormick and Hearst are accorded full freedom to blast their fascist program to the American people."

AMALGAMATED LEADER ASKS BROWDER RELEASE

Morris J. Gittin, chairman, Amalgamated Clothing Workers, Local

Youth Congress Greet Rally in London Today

Message Hails Unity of All Youth Against Hitler Peril

The youth of embattled Europe meeting in London today at an International Youth Rally to arouse the young people of all countries against the danger of "Hitler and the fascist aggression," were greeted yesterday by the American Youth Congress, which declared that "our unity is our strength dedicated to the destruction of Hitler and the building of a democratic world."

A short wave broadcast of the proceedings will be carried over the British Broadcasting Co. tonight at 7:45 to 8 and 11:15 to 11:30 P. M. over megacycles 9.59, 11.75 and 6.1.

Betty Shields-Collins, secretary of the World Youth Congress and chairman of the meeting outlined the program of the conference as one "to arouse the youth of all countries for the defense of the countries endangered by Hitler and fascist aggression, for the liberation of the conquered countries by the complete defeat of Hitlerite Germany."

"Inspired by the heroism of British and Soviet Youth," the AYA greeting stated in part, "American youth working for our own defense make all-out efforts to guarantee that our country is an effective arsenal of democracy supplying you with needed materials."

The cable was signed by Jack McMichael, chairman; Joseph Cadden, vice-president, and Francis Williams, executive secretary, of the Youth Congress.

All-Out Negro Drive On Hitler Mobilized

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CHICAGO, Oct. 10.—Initiation of a vast national campaign to mobilize the Negro people for the battle against Hitlerism and for all-out support to the democracies will be signaled at a Negro Stop-Hitler rally at DuSable High School auditorium here Sunday afternoon.

Aimed towards participation of

Chicago's Negro population in "the drive for rapid extension of aid to those who are actively fighting Hitler," the newly-formed National Negro Stop-Hitler Committee called the meeting, which will be addressed by nationally known speakers.

Invitations to talk have already been accepted by J. Finley Wilson, Exalted Ruler of the Colored Elks of the World, and Belford V. Lawson, president of the New Negro Alliance with offices in Washington.

Integration of the Negro people into President Roosevelt's national unity effort will be the key theme of the rally.

Churches, union and neighborhood groups are active in the committee which was begun by Alderman Earl B. Dickerson (2nd), a member of President Roosevelt's Committee on Fair Employment,

and other distinguished local Negro notables.

Negro youth will participate in the meeting by burning an effigy of Hitler at 35th Street and South Parkway, near the grave of a Negro hero killed in the world war.

"This is our opening gun in a big campaign to spread nationally the movement to rally our people behind national unity for victory over Hitlerism," declared Alderman Dickerson, who is chairman of the committee.

"The recent speech of Charles A. Lindbergh at Des Moines attacking a racial minority brings home to Negroes the danger of the appeasement doctrine. When the America First crowd, who officially sponsor Lindbergh, come out into the open with Hitler's race policies of persecution of minorities, it is time for America's millions of Negroes to sit up and take notice."

'We Pledge Our Determination to See That Production Continues' Bridges Calls for Full Support for F. D. R.'s Defense Policies

(Special to the Daily Worker)

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 10.—Following is abridged text of the address of Harry Bridges, California CIO director, before the convention of the California Industrial Union Council held at Oakland last weekend.

Since the Third Annual Convention and the National Convention of the CIO, organization has been pushed on every front. Many millions of dollars in wage increases have been won by the unions affiliated to the Council. The outstanding victories in auto industries, such as steel, auto, aircraft, rubber, packinghouse, oil and others furnish proof of the ability of the California CIO to do things, and should instill in every member of the CIO in this state the determination to make even greater gains in the coming year.

Much more remains for us to do in the organizational field. We have the instrumentalities to work with—the State CIO Council, the national and regional officers and organizers, and the determination to improve the living standards of the American working people.

We have an added incentive now, one that is paramount to all others: The organization of workers into the very backbone of the anti-Fascist front, our free and democratic trade unions, in order that every ounce of energy and effort can be properly put forward in the fight to destroy fascism.

To win this fight is the main issue today.

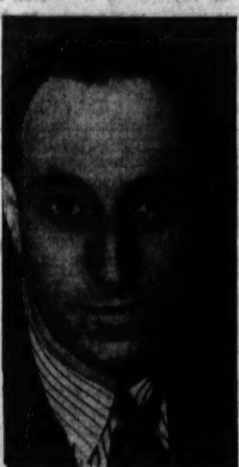
We must realize now that our unions, our economic and political security, our freedom and democracy are periled by the fascist armies of Hitler. Already they have enslaved most of continental Europe and will spread and control the entire world unless stopped.

Nation after nation has been overpowered, millions of lives sacrificed, free thinking and free organizations have been destroyed by the March of the New Order.

It is not my intention to review the changing situation and policies in the past year with regard to international affairs.

I have read the report of your Council dealing with this question, and that subject matter is covered concretely in their report.

I subscribe to and support their analysis and conclusions wholeheartedly, and I deem it entirely sufficient concerning our past policies. The question before us is what to do now, what is the best way to do it, and how quickly and effectively we can



HARRY BRIDGES

move into high gear against Hitler and his allies.

If one reads President Roosevelt's papers that he has published reviewing his actions and the policies of his administration during his terms of office as President of the United States, we note that he deals specifically in one part with his position on matters of neutrality, his attitude at the time concerning the invasion of Ethiopia by Mussolini, the embargo against arms for the Spanish Loyalists.

The President points out that although he acted at that time for what he believed was the well-being of the nation and in an effort to avoid war, he believes now that the net result of the neutrality policy followed at that time hastened war, and, as he expresses it himself, "I now regret my actions."

That's good enough for me, and it should be good enough for anyone who wants to enlist in this fight against Hitler from now until victory.

If the President of the United States is big enough and man enough to say that somewhere along the line results might have been better if the job had been done differently, all of us, including the most severe critics of the President's past actions, cannot fail to try to be equally as big and say, "Well, that's past and done with. We always agreed that Hitler's Fascism should be destroyed. We just couldn't get together on the best way to do it. But let's go from here and do the job right."

If anybody wants to sit around and pat themselves on the back and say, "I told you so," let them. They will be doing the very same

thing in a slave labor battalion if Hitler ever marches to victory in his present attack.

Right here, as far as I am concerned, I am dismissing and forgetting what has happened and is past in this connection. I know enough to tell me where I stand and what I must do as a member and officer of the CIO and as one who always has been, and is now more than ever, opposed to Fascism and everything inherent in it.

The President, the armies of Soviet Russia, Great Britain and China are wasting no time these days looking at what is past, nor should we waste any time. We know what our record in the anti-Fascist fight is. In many respects we were the pioneers—pioneers not only with words but with deeds—and now we not only need more words but they must be backed up with every sort and form of action that we can think of.

As one opposed to Fascism, I pledge myself to do anything and everything within my power and ability to support the President in delivering all aid to Great Britain, Russia and China in the fight to defeat Fascism, and I urge upon the delegates here and the membership they represent to do likewise without any equivocation.

It is not a question any more of when Hitler will be stopped, but how soon and at how great a sacrifice. Every day that the war goes on, every statement from the German high command claiming further gains, strengthens Hitler's hand by strengthening his Fifth Column of appeasers here and elsewhere. They are able to elaborate and enlarge on their arguments that this is not our fight. They are able to sponsor and press for fascist legislation and to spur to greater effort their various elements operating in the departments of government and industry.

It is only by uniting all people that want to fight Fascism, regardless of race, creed, color, religion or political philosophy, into one anti-Fascist productive and fighting machine that we will do the job quickly, effectively, and once and for all.

We of the CIO must demonstrate by positive action that we are willing to do our part and, yes, sacrifice, but let us make it perfectly clear that any sacrifices we are required to make as workers shall be met by equal sacrifices by corporate interests.

I mean this: We will follow and support the President in the all-out program of aid to defeat Fascism. We pledge ourselves to work towards the attainment of the highest produc-

tivity of labor in producing the machines and the materials to wage the fight against Hitler. We pledge our determination to do all to see that production continues in order that the effort may not be marred or blocked by strikes or stoppages of work, and we pledge our determination to oppose those who would appease Hitler and Fascism.

There are no strings attached to such declarations. They mean anything and everything that might be necessary to fight and win. There are no qualifications such as "making America an arsenal of democracy," or "All aid short of war," nor should we bother with trying to ferret out the good or bad things in the nations or the governments who are at present being attacked by Hitler. They are fighting Hitler and they are fighting Fascism, and in the case of the Soviet Union and its Army, Navy and Airforce, they are doing an excellent all-out job.

Great Britain has geared her entire empire to the fight, and if any criticism may be attached to her efforts so far, the way to intensify those efforts and to broaden Britain's contribution is to declare ourselves in and demonstrate that we are ready to go just as far as she is.

These countries are fighting Fascism with everything they've got. That's good enough for us, or should be. They deserve our support, and we should state here and now without any equivocation that they are going to get it in every way we can give it to them. They are going to get our loyalty behind our national leaders in government and the CIO who expressed their determination to destroy Hitler and his new order.

What do we ask in return? Of course we ask and insist first that there be no let-up and that Hitler be defeated and Fascism erased for all time. We next ask and insist that our contribution to the fight be recognized and given due respect. We insist that those officials in high places in government and industry, more concerned with their desire for profit and individual benefits, be exposed so they may take their place where they really belong—in the ranks of Hitler's fifth column and appeasers.

While we pledge ourselves to do all possible to insure smooth production of the materials needed, we insist at the same time that the right to strike remain inviolate and that an end be put to the attempts of selfish employers and business corporations who would seize this opportunity

to destroy this fundamental right of labor, not because of their sincere desire to defeat Hitler, but because of their determination to weaken labor organization and to rob the workers of the organized power and right to protect their security.

I might mention here that this is not a new position for us by any means. My own International Union as far back as a year ago signed a two year, no-strike contract, recognizing that national defense called for the necessity of greater use of governmental agencies in handling labor disputes, especially when a union had long been established and had secured the fundamentals necessary for its continued well-being.

We again recognized this situation in a more intense period during the North American strike. No question in that strike that the demands of the workers were reasonable in every respect. No question as to the right of workers to strike and to actually carry on the strike. No question as to the fact that the employers in that particular instance so maneuvered the situation as to force the strike, not because they were concerned with the fight against Hitler but to preserve their already swollen profits. No question that it was absolutely improper for the government to lend the armed forces to the North American employers to break the strike. But at the same time, there is no question either at that time or now that all concerned did not have the proper perspective and realization of the utmost necessity of utilizing to the utmost the machinery of the established government agencies and the influence of CIO leaders to secure the full demands of the workers.

It is not my intention to lay the blame in any one particular place, if any blame is to attach. Certainly the major reason that the strike took place was because of the pressure the North American corporation in this instance was able to exercise against the workers and to stall the Mediation Board. What does stand out, however, is that victory was won. The workers' demands were granted, and it was essentially because of their organized strength that this was accomplished, together with the aid of the national leaders of the CIO working through the established governmental machinery. The use of troops contributed nothing except the breaking of the strike, and the action delighted the anti-labor interests of the nation.

It is my judgment that no more situations of a similar type will develop within the CIO, or that the President and his Administration will see fit to repeat the use

of troops in a like manner again. This, however, is predicated on the fact and the necessity that we do our part, and in the case of a recalcitrant employer who is stubborn and determined to put profits before the main question of fighting Fascism, it shall be our purpose to use our organized strength and power, backed by our pledges of loyalty, to insist that the national government deal firmly and vigorously with such employers, even to the extent of taking over and operating their plant or factory.

When we express our determination to see that the energy of labor is properly geared to provide the maximum output of materials and equipment to supply those nations now fighting Hitler, and to efficiently build our own national defenses, we do not speak of greater production as the dollar-a-year corporation men in Washington speak of it.

We want no longer work weeks, which Mr. Knudsen believes is necessary. We want none of the anti-labor and, in many cases, fascist legislation aimed at establishing compulsory arbitration and concentration camps, discriminating against foreign-born people or minority political groups. Both of the latter happen to be doing a good job of making Hitler squirm at the moment.

We want the dollar-a-year big business hirelings that have sabotaged national defense and greater industrial productivity replaced by conscientious Americans and sent back to their corporation offices. Let them get their profits by legally competing with other firms instead of illegally hijacking them from the government through behind-the-door political deals, while at the same time pretending they are serving their country for a dollar a year.

We insist that the NLRB, the National Mediation Board and such governmental agencies function in the way they were intended to function—not as instruments of the corporations but to give labor a fair deal and to protect its right to organize and bargain collectively.

The juggling of priorities and the resulting unemployment, because of the attempts of some sections of big business to grab off the juiciest portions of defense contracts, must be exposed and stopped.

The National President of the CIO, Philip Murray, has proposed a plan to correct many of these evils. The workers who have pledged themselves to put forward their best efforts in the fight against Fascism are entitled to know that their inter-

ests and security will be protected by their own representatives assuming their proper place in the government, not only as a part of the actual production end, but as part of the planning and administrative structure. Certainly labor representatives cannot help but do better than some of the so-called experts that have brought about chaos and confusion and created a situation that is a national scandal.

We need assurance that there will be a cessation of the activities of the FBI as an anti-labor and labor-spy agency, their framing of evidence and collecting of stool pigeons in order to bring about a fascist decision such as that just rendered by Judge Charles Sears.

Our interest is not what we will get for ourselves in this fight. There are no enormous profits for the workers in defeating Hitler. The big majority of the common people not only make the weapons but they will have to fly, drive or shoulder them and in many cases give their lives; but we want to be sure that we know where the enemy is and to keep him in front instead of having him use a knife at our back.

We insist that any individual, any group or any agency that interferes with or retards in any way our determination to give our best efforts, loyalty and support behind the all-out aid program of the President of the United States and the greater part of the CIO, is aiding Hitler and supporting the appeasers.

There is no middle ground in this fight—you either are or you are not—and labor cannot be called upon and expected to apply itself to the task of continuous maximum production while it is harried by anti-labor and fascist-minded agencies or individuals or selfish corporation representatives.

I have attempted to put the essence of my last few remarks in the form of a resolution which I have asked the International Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union delegation to this convention to present for the consideration of the assembled delegates. I will read the resolution, and I urge that you give it your unanimous and wholehearted support, both in your various unions and councils, and that you work in every way to put into action the policy outlined in the resolution.

"WHEREAS: Fascism has enslaved most of continental Europe and will engulf the entire world unless destroyed, and

"WHEREAS: Democracies can only succeed in defeating Fas-

claim by throwing their entire resources into the bitter struggle, which step must be taken at once because further delay can serve but to strengthen our common foe, and

"WHEREAS: This supreme effort can only be achieved by unity of action and purpose by all freedom loving peoples, therefore be it

"RESOLVED: That we pledge allegiance to our Country, our President and wholehearted support to his program, and that we take this step with full knowledge of the sacrifices we must make before victory is ours, and be it further

"RESOLVED: That in making this pledge we

(1) Endorse the Murray Plan of Industry Councils because we know that adoption of the Plan will result in greater unity of Government, Labor and Capital and will sharply increase production in our national defense industries related to them;

(2) Oppose the anti-labor activities of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, a continuation of which is detrimental to the welfare of our nation, its full productivity and effort;

(3) Request the removal from positions of authority all individuals of Fascist leanings whose retention in important governmental posts raises questions of doubt in the minds of workers, undermines the morale of the army of industrial workers and the morale of the people;

(4) Pledge our loyalty and support to the vigorous leadership of President Philip Murray and urge him to retain leadership of the Congress of Industrial Organizations and lead that great organization along the lines laid down in this resolution;

(5) Request President Murray to make our position on these vital questions known to President Franklin D. Roosevelt immediately."

I sincerely hope that this convention will aim at and adopt a program which each and every delegate can wholeheartedly support.

Let that part of the CIO that represents the great and progressive state of California make known to the national convention that we have united as a single unit to expand and build the CIO in every way, and are determined to contribute every bit of energy and effort possible for national defense and full support behind the program of all-out aid for the armies of Great Britain, Russia and China and every nation who is fighting the fight for freedom and democracy against Hitler and his fascist allies.

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U.S.A.-Britain-U.S.S.R.— In Joint War Against Hitler!

(Continued from Page 1)

The sentiments expressed by the nation's chief executive, by labor, by the American people, the insistent demands of the British people, show that the people are done with delays and partial measures against Hitler. The New York Post in an editorial yesterday indicated the growing concern of the people to our increasing danger, when it stated: "America quite possibly can win this battle of Russia. America's weapon, swift as a flash of lightning, is a declaration of war. Word of that declaration would be heard around the world—in the instant. . . . The simple message would be an icy hand to snatch hope from every soldier in Hitler's line."

America's national existence cannot be maintained through half-hearted or partial measures in these days of crisis. Aid to the Soviet Union must be sent in torrents and with a speed in keeping with the gravity of the moment. Naval convoys of America's sea power must insure the arrival of this aid. The Neutrality Law shackles which bind our country's mighty defensive arms and hamper the President's "shoot first" order must be broken.

Above all, America has an immediate duty to undertake joint military operations with Britain and the Soviet Union to crush Hitler. The British people, who are valiantly insisting upon an invasion of the continent, must know that our country is prepared to go all down the line against Hitler, without red tape and hesitations. The knowledge that America is totally in the war against the common enemy will strengthen the British and American people against the appeasers who are traitorously sabotaging the fight against Hitler.

The joint military enterprise of Britain and America for a Western Front is the best answer to the disloyal America First friends of Hitler. Let there be an end to the hesitations and delay that help Hitler and imperil our nation. Let there be all-out participation of America with Britain and the Soviet Union to bury Hitlerism on the European continent.

Register Today! Tomorrow Is Too Late

• Never has New York had a campaign as important as the current election.

Reduced to its baldest terms the election will prove one thing above all:

Does or does not the greatest city of the nation support President Roosevelt's policies of all-out aid to Britain, the Soviet Union and all other people defending America by resisting fascist aggression?

We and you know that New York is the anti-fascist capital of America.

Let's prove it on election day.

But it can't be done unless there is the widest registration today, the last day left to register if you wish to vote Nov. 4. Tomorrow is too late.

Register today. The polls are open from 7 A.M. to 10:30 P.M. Register now to deliver a smashing blow at Hitler Nov. 4.

Buy an extra copy
of today's
Daily Worker
Bring it to a friend or shopmate
Make that extra copy of the Daily Worker part of
your regular reading habit

Panama Acts In Time

• Kicking out the pro-Nazi gentleman who misused his office as President of Panama was a most timely and long-needed decision. The people of Panama have given an example of what should be done up and down the continent of Latin America.

The American people can applaud the deed. It removes from the Panama Canal one of Hitler's boldest schemes—the seizure and crippling of that vital naval passage.

For there can be no doubt at all that Hitler's agents, recently caught by Government police at the Canal, were advance-guard for a more direct invasion by sea.

Berlin has been caught red-handed in one Latin American country after another, plotting armed coup d'etats. The military goal of these insurrections was the encirclement of the Panama Canal as part of the general plan for the encirclement of the United States as such.

The Panama incident only adds new evidence, if any were needed, that the United States is at war with Hitler Germany.

Persons who close their eyes to this reality and await formal declarations of war from Berlin are forgetting that Hitler doesn't declare war. He wages war, taking advantage of legalistic illusions which his own agents are careful to foster.

That so dangerous a pro-Nazi as the fleeing President Arias was able to reach high office in Panama is due to the failure of the United States to encourage the progressive, democratic forces throughout Latin America. Active collaboration with the democratic forces in Latin America is now seen to be vital to the safety of this country.

Panama's action focusses attention on the swarm of Hitler agents and representatives which still infests Washington.

Representatives of the Petain, Franco, and Mannerheim regimes—not to speak of Berlin's embassy—are as fully a menace to our security as Arias was. They are fifth column outlets. Why does the Government delay kicking them out? Their expulsion is a military necessity of immediate urgency.

A Victory for Negro Rights— And National Defense

• Col. Charles B. Elliot, commander of the nation's largest army camp at Fort Bragg, N. C., has been removed after his flagrant anti-Negro policies led to the needless death of a Negro and white soldier.

This is an important victory of far-reaching consequences for the Negro people and thus for national defense. Col. Elliot functioned with an attitude of Bourbon contempt for the citizenship rights of Negro Americans. The raw segregation and jim-crowism which he enforced produced strife among the soldiers instead of unity and the lives of two were sacrificed in an outbreak which shamed the nation and gratified Hitler.

The fact that Negro military police at Fort Bragg are to have equal authority with the white, and that some other discriminatory policies are to be eliminated is in keeping with the temper of progressive developments in the South in recent years. It was the interests of the Southern Bourbons that Col. Elliot represented, not those of the Southern workers and liberals who are increasingly making common cause with the Negro people.

Discrimination in any form against the Negro or any other minority in the armed forces breeds disunity and antagonism where unity is the most decisive need. It plays into the hands of the appeasers, weakens morale and serves as an impediment to full solidarity between the people and the armed forces.

Following the struggles of the Negro people jointly with the labor movement, the President has issued two orders against discrimination. In the effort to break down the jim-crow fetters upon their contributions to the country's security, the Negro people have re-emphasized their dignity and strength as a nation. Meanwhile, the people as a whole, in their desire to crush Hitler, have created the spirit for Negro and white working shoulder to shoulder in a spirit of equality and harmony. The removal of Col. Elliot is a beginning along the proper lines. More is needed in other camps and in other fields of defense. The safety of America requires cleansing the armed forces of all such practices as that of Col. Elliot in order that the nation can mobilize full unity to destroy Hitler.

THEY HAVE REGISTERED--HAVE YOU?



'We Dare Not Do Less'

With the launching of Hitler's titanic offensive against the one army that stands between his hordes and the American people, the Daily Worker has become even more eminently the defender and conscience of America.

In editorials which advance sober argument in passionate words, it lashes out against delay and disunity in the face of the grave peril. It calls for a torrent of war help to the Red Army from Britain and America. It points out that now, when Britain and the United States face an open western coast they can deal Hitler a death blow while he is engaged by the Red Army in the East.

"What are we doing to meet the Hitler challenge?" asks one editorial. "What are you doing to save America?" demands another.

These questions cut deeply—and they

cannot be denied. Fortunately, the Daily and Sunday Worker provides us all with one vital thing we can do "to meet the Hitler challenge," "to Save America." That is, to spread the message of the Daily and Sunday Worker far and wide!

Comrades, I know your concern over the issue of the vast battles now being fought on the Eastern Front. I know you will not hesitate before any sacrifice that would save our country.

It is action that counts now and action that mobilizes thousands counts most! That is why every Communist should make it his or her minimum duty to report Saturday night and Sunday to help distribute the best mobilizer in the land, the Sunday Worker. Now, this week-end, is the time to realize completely our new quota of 50,000 papers.

Let us do that! We dare not do less!

I. AMTER, chairman
New York State Committee
Communist Party

Pennsylvania Court Ruling Bars Minority Parties from Ballot

By David Lurie
(Special to the Daily Worker)

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 10.—Seven judges handed down a shockingly unjust decision in this state on Monday in the case of the 30 men and women imprisoned here for their activity in placing the Communist Party on the ballot last Fall.

The decision, which upheld the verdict of the lower court against every argument of the defense, not only justified the frame-up in what laymen can only consider an illegal fashion, it also took away the right of minority parties to get on the ballot.

It was class legislation at its worst in a day and time when national unity is the imperative need. It was a decision which usurped the right of the state legislature to make the laws of the Commonwealth by adding words to the election code.

It took the seven State Superior Court judges five months to make up their minds, months during which 18 of those convicted were released after serving their sentences.

In sweeping fashion, the court ruled: Those still in jail must be kept there.

In the future, no minority party can get on the ballot in the state of Pennsylvania, especially the Communist Party, unless it can overcome almost insuperable obstacles.

Only one point in the wordy, 32-page opinion need be cited to show the court's bias. That point is the deliberate shielding of unjustified conduct by the trial judge in a manner which must be revolting to anyone who thinks of courts in terms of gravity and dignity.

One of the arguments of defense counsel in asking for a new trial was the fact that when a State's witness repudiated earlier testimony and declared that he had known he was signing a Communist nominating petition, the judge addressed the witness in open court and asked:

"Do you understand that you are committing perjury here?" That is in the record. When Judge J. Frank Graft, who received much of his legal experience acting as a judge advocate in court martials during the World War, certified the record for the appeal, he did not dispute it, nor did the Prosecutor, the Assistant District Attorney.

For a judge to ask such a question of a witness, in open court, in the presence of defendants and jury and other witnesses, is clearly intimidation. The signers of the petition had been intimidated before, when their names appeared in the Pittsburgh Press, when they received letters from the Dies Committee and visits from county detectives, when they were threatened with loss of their jobs if they did not repudiate their signatures, when they came before the Grand Jury. But now, when one of these witnesses had decided to tell the truth, the judge bullied him.

Such a question, asked in that manner, is a violation of the right of fair trial.

The rest of the opinion is based on the judges' interpretation of the law and citation of precedents. Many points can and undoubtedly will be questioned by the defense counsel in the appeals to be taken to the State Supreme Court. An example is the citation of a case involving conspiracy to murder. The

court ruled that this could be applied as a precedent to the election case which was supposed to be a conspiracy "against the freedom and purity of election."

The Court said that there was "circumstantial" proof of conspiracy because the signature collection was well organized and because the many persons collecting solicited signatures in the same manner. This was not the conspiracy; the conspiracy to end the freedom of elections was entered into by the Pittsburgh Press, the Dies Committee and the District Attorney's office when they collectively intimidated the signers of the petitions into testifying falsely.

But most important of all is the Superior Court's interpretation of the election law. The Court ruled that signers of a minority party's petition must be "members, adherents or supporters" of the party. In a state where not so many years ago workers who were known to be Democratic voters were fired from their jobs, in a state where last year there was wholesale persecution because people exercised their right to put candidates on the ballot, this addition by the Court to the election code is tantamount to preventing, for some time, the possibility of any minority party getting on the ballot.

The Superior Court's decision, which rejects every argument of the defense, is not the last stand. A petition asking leave to appeal is now being prepared and will be taken before the State Supreme Court. The men and women who went to jail because they stood for freedom of elections, will continue with their friends and associates the fight for the American ballot.

Point of Order

By ALAN MAX

READERS' DAY

DEAR ALAN—Here is my entry to your No-Prize Contest for two-line verses on the appeasers. If I should win, send my No-Prize to the Non-Existent Socialist Party, care of No-man Thomas.

What could disgust us
More than Charles Augustus?

To help keep Hitler from the U. S. A.,
Put your shoulders to the Wheeler and push
him away.

BILL SILVERMAN

It seems to me that Senator Nye
Is the over-ripe apple of Hitler's eye.

IDE

Norman Thomas made a twist,
Now it's "national" socialist.

EDITH SEGAL

Fry
With Nye.

BERNIE

What is that odor now passing by?
Must be a piece of Lindbergh on Nye.

MILTON MELTZER

Around the Mariner's neck the albatross,
Around Lindbergh's neck the double-cross.

N. S.

As the "Daily" circulation goes higher and higher
The "America Firsters" will gradually expire.

SUGARMAN

Anyone who could write a book like the "Red
Decade," must be a real go-gutter.

P. H.

Said Wheeler-Hill to Wheeler, Burt:
"Have you donned your Nazi shirt?"

Said Wheeler, Burt, to Wheeler-Hill:
"It won't be long before I will."

The Nazi Bundist

MARK CORNWALL

Put Der Fear in Der Fuehrer—Free Earl Browder!

S.

Letters From Our Readers

No Fake Issues, No
Smokescreens

New York, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The native American Quislings, the Lindberghs, the Nyes, the Wheelers, the Coughlins and their pro-Nazi, pro-Hitler stooges are trying to raise the spurious issue of freedom of religion in Soviet Russia. They hope, thereby, to divert the minds of the American people from the real and main issue—the defeat of Hitler and Hitlerism.

In this they will not succeed. First, because freedom of religion in Soviet Russia is guaranteed by the Constitution of the USSR (Article 124) as was pointed out by President Roosevelt, and no amount of hypocrisy, distortion and perversion can change that fact. Second, the threat and the menace to the USA and to the rest of the world comes not from Russia's irreligion. Not one country in Europe lost its liberty because of that. The threat and the menace comes from Hitler and Hitlerism.

On this the American people, as well as the peoples of all democratic nations, must unite and stand united. No fake issues, no smokescreens, no dust-clouds must be permitted to disrupt that unity.

A. R.

Erroneous View of Race Prejudice

New York, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I would like to call to the attention of your readers the editorial in Liberty Magazine, issue of Oct. 18, on "Lindbergh, the Most Dangerous Man in America." On the whole it is a timely and incisive evaluation of the leader of "America First" and I certainly take no exception to applying such descriptive appellations as "witch burner," "America's Number 1 Nazi," "forerunner of Hitler," to Mr. Charles A.

However, one should note some limitations in the approach which Liberty takes. To state that "Religious and racial hatreds lie like rubbish underfoot in the jungle of human nature," is at once to fall into a most erroneous view of race prejudice as a normal aspect of human nature. And if Lindbergh is America's most dangerous man, then Liberty is constrained to put in the same category the Wheelers, Woods, Stuarts, Haris, etc., who sponsor him and make him dangerous.

CONSTANT READER

Spur to Free Browder Fight

New York, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

May I suggest that the speeches delivered at the Free Browder Garden meeting be put in pamphlet form with pictures of the speakers—to counteract the silence of the press on the event.

It would go a long way toward freeing Earl Browder and to save many lives in the struggle against Hitlerism and the American fascists and appeasers.

S. K.

For Combatting Hitler's Fifth Column

Newark, N. J.

Editor, Daily Worker:

To combat the work of Hitler's assistants in our country, especially those who would have us believe Hitler has no designs on the United States, I would like to suggest a series of articles which could later be published in pamphlet form, on the trial of the 15 Nazi agents, plus other espionage which the Axis is conducting.

Included in the pamphlet should be statements of appeasers Lindbergh, Wheeler, Clark, Thomas—all who tell us that we have nothing to fear.

This pamphlet would be a fitting campaign to the splendid articles Spivak is writing in the New Masses in his expose of the America (Nazi) First Committee.

D. E.

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News on How the Sports
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TEXAS TEAM RAPs JIM-CROW

Members of the Texas A & M football team that faces NYU at the Stadium today, and Coach Homer Norton were unanimous and emphatic yesterday in stating that they would consider it a bad breach of American sportsmanship for a Northern team to bench its Negro member because it was playing a Southern team. NYU has a Negro star, Leonard Bates, who was benched by NYU when they played Missouri last year.

"We wouldn't want to play NYU except at their full strength," said Norton, "and to these boys Bates or any other Negro player they encountered is as good as anyone else and will be hit no harder or no easier than anyone else. Ask them what they think of Joe Louis."

Members of the team had the same sentiment. Working class boys from Texas, they had enjoyed the sights of New York before accustoming themselves to the Stadium with a scrimmage. Five of them had never been on a train before. None had ever been out of the state of Texas.

They were rated heavy favorites over NYU.

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On the Score Board

By LESTER RODNEY

Suppose the Brooklyn Dodgers were to win the National League pennant again in 1942 and were told that the only basis on which they could play the Yankees in the World's Series was a "non-title" basis. That is, regardless of who won the Series, the Yanks would still be champions with the champion's share of the money, etc. A sporting proposition, eh?

Such a Series arrangement would be no more fantastic than is the "non-title" fight scheduled yesterday for Oct. 31 by Promoter Mike Jacobs between welterweight champion Freddy Cochrane and Ray Robinson, sensational undefeated young Negro fighter.

It's about time fight fans put thumbs down on these phony "non-title" matches in the only way possible—by refusing to pay their money to see them. Our position on the many positive contributions of Mike Jacobs in cleaning up the fist game is well known. But in the present fagging around with the lightweight and welterweight titles he is making a farce of the word champion. And whether by accident or design two sensational Negro fighters of championship caliber, Bob Montgomery and Robinson, are being given a grotesquely unfair runoff.

Montgomery fought lightweight "champion" Lew Jenkins on the proviso that he come in over the lightweight limit of 135 pounds, making it a "non-title" affair. Philadelphia Bob weighed in at 136 and gave Jenkins the worst beating the hard-hitting, night-clubbing Texan has ever absorbed, winning the decision unanimously. They lifted Bob's hand after the fight as "the winner," and had the decency to refrain from lifting Jenkins at the "loser and still champion." A poorly conceived fight because it figured to be a good contest. That's why Jacobs schedules these attractive "non-title" fights that should be championship battles.

Now Freddy Cochrane, fairly little known fighter who won the welterweight title because then-champion Fritz Zivic didn't bother to protect himself behind a "non-title" clause, is to face Robinson, one of his two logical foes (Montgomery is the second), without risking his crown. Usually these "non-title" messes are worked by having one of the fighters come in over the weight limit of the division. In the case of Cochrane-Robinson, neither approaches the 145-pound welterweight limit without three sweaters, an overcoat and a pocket full of pebbles. So the ingenious Jacobs just calls it a "handicap match" and that means that the high principles of American sportsmanship will be upheld if Robinson knocks Cochrane into the second row of the working press and Freddy is picked up and propped back on his throne.

Obviously, if Cochrane thought he was a real champion and wasn't afraid of being beaten by the dynamic Robinson, he wouldn't deign to hide his title behind Jacobs' protective "handicap" arrangement. If Robinson beats Cochrane, as is very likely, the fistie world will boast two chess champions in Jenkins and Cochrane and they'll be so designated here, as well as by most fans.

The payoff on the whole lightweight-welterweight situation is the suggestion that if Robinson beats Cochrane, he meet his fellow uncrowned champion, Montgomery, in a battle of the survival of the best in the two divisions. With the beaten Jenkins and Cochrane still cashing in on their "championships."

The winner of the Montgomery-Robinson fight will no doubt be offered the chance to meet featherweight champion Chalky Wright in a special "non-title, handicap" bout with the winner of that one privileged to face Joe Louis any time he wants.

If this column is involved, so is the situation. It's high time that the boxing game returned to A. When a fighter beats the champion he is the better fighter—and the new champion.

Joel Remes

Workers School Staff

Analysis of the

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THE WEEK

Sunday, October 11th

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Rams Favored Today, Aggies Liked Over NYU

Rodney Selects:

(First named team to win.)

Fordham-North Carolina-Ram backfield is hot stuff, headed for one of those Bowls again.

Texas A & M-NYU-Aggies too high scared for de-emphasized Violets. Not too close.

Princeton-Columbia-Injuries too much for closely knit Lions against less cohesive but better manned Tigers.

Penn-Yale-Too many knock 'em down line-men for dear old Eli.

Cornell-Harvard-The Big Red youngsters much better than expected after graduation of last year's seniors. Bullfighting hot.

Minnesota-Illinois-And Minnesota over practically anyone it faces. Bruce Smith and a well-manned, crunching Bierman powerhouse.

Michigan-Pitt-Pitt is a horrid word, but the boys from Ann Arbor have the better ball club this year. Harmon or no.

Northwestern-Wisconsin-Wildcats are hot. An easy win. De Correvont is only one of many terrific runners.

Notre Dame-Georgia Tech-The Irish material with Leahy's imaginative coaching continues to win and improve.

Boston-Clemson-Clemson to up set last year's Sugar Bowlers. Call it the climate and Boston's shift of coaches.

Vanderbilt-Kentucky-Anybody knows the reason for this one (???) Washington vs. Washington St. Washington to bounce back. From what? From two early defeats.

Oregon-USC-Hya Farrell! Stanford-Oregon State-The original T formation boys still know how to use it best... next to pro Bears.

Navy-Lafayette-And to beat Hitler's pirates in the Atlantic, too.

Negro Students Study for Defense Work

(Special to the Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 10.—Negro and white students numbering 573 have registered at the Howard University School of Architecture and Engineering here in preparation for jobs in the United States defense industries.

The reason why a Negro university has been chosen for this task of training both Negro and white youth for technical positions in the war effort is that this educational institution is under the supervision of the U. S. Department of the Interior. The courses are under the auspices of the United States Office of Education.

Negro and white youth, contrary to the long established rule for educational institutions in the District of Columbia, work in complete harmony, side by side, in laboratories under Negro instructors.

Fordham at Carolina—Violets Only Major Local Team at Home; Columbia Invades Princeton; Many Intersecting Games Highlight Day

By Bill Newton

One local team invades the South, and another squares off in Yankee Stadium against an invading Texas squad in New York's version of intersectional grid warfare, which is really on in earnest all over the nation today. Unbeaten records will, of course, suffer a severe cut.

Fordham's powerful Rams, Rose Bowl hopefuls as ever, take on North Carolina at Chapel Hill, N. C. while NYU must hold off a superior Texas A & M aggregation at the Stadium.

The Violets will be the only major New York eleven playing at home today. Columbia's Lions, hobbled by injuries to ace center Don Snavely and back Adam Spiegel, square off against a heavier Princeton eleven at Palmer Stadium. Brooklyn meets Hofstra on the Kingsmen's field.

Manhattan faded Duquesne last night, while CCNY was taking on Lebanon Valley at Hershey, Pa. Fordham, NYU and Columbia all boast spotless records.

Other outstanding games around the East pit Yale and Penn in an Ivy League special; Harvard and Cornell; Colgate and Dartmouth; and Syracuse and Holy Cross. With the exception of Penn, none of these teams is really top-notch, but they're sure at any rate to draw the crowds.

Middle Western leaders that go to the post include Minnesota vs. Illinois, Northwestern vs. Wisconsin, Notre Dame vs. Georgia Tech, Marquette vs. Michigan State, Michigan vs. Pitt. TCU invades Indiana for a clash with the Hoosiers.

Down South Vanderbilt takes on old Kaintuck, Boston College faces its second Dixie foe of the year in Clemson. (These walloped the Eagles two weeks ago). Rice tries its hand against the mighty Green Wave, Villanova takes on Florida, and Texas powerhouse squad goes up against Oklahoma.

Pacific Coast top contests feature dark horse Santa Clara against California, strong Oregon vs. USC, Washington vs. Washington State in a Northwest crusher, and Stanford vs. Oregon State.

Other games of note include: Michigan vs. Pitt—The Maize and Blue is too strong.

Northwestern vs. Wisconsin—Badgers are better than their loss to Marquette indicates, but we'll take the Purple.

Notre Dame vs. Georgia Tech.—A ramble for the Ramblers.

Boston College vs. Clemson.—The Eagles try fly high.

Vanderbilt vs. Kentucky—Vandy's too strong for Kaintuck.

Washington vs. Washington State.—A hard one, but let's take the former, which gave Minnesota a great battle.

Oregon vs. U.S.C.—So. Cal. gets socked.

Stanford vs. Oregon State—Stanford, to a T.

Regan to Start For Giants

Still experimenting with his numerous flashy rookie backs, Coach Steve Owen has announced a late line-up change and will start Frank Regan at right halfback in the season's opener with the Philadelphia Eagles in the Polo Grounds on Sunday.

Last Sunday in Pittsburgh Regan made his best showing with the Giants when he suddenly became a ball of fire in the final period and blazed across two touchdowns against the stunned Steelers. In addition to his running Regan is an exceptional punter and splendid forward passer.

Mac Returns 'Em

Here's a warning to future opponents of the Chicago Bears: Don't kick off to halfback George McAfee. Three kickers have and the former Duke star boasts an average return of 49.6 yards for a substantial lead in that department of national football league statistics. His touchdown at Cleveland.

WHAT'S ON

RATES: What's on notices for the Daily Worker are 50c per line (10 words to a line—10 lines minimum). DEADLINE: Daily at 12 Noon. For Sunday, 5 P.M. Friday.

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Baltimore, Md.
AMERICAN COUNCIL ON Soviet Relations. Lecture: "Soviet Industry and Transport," by Prof. V. D. Kaskavich. Hotel Stafford, Charles & Madison Sts., Thursday, October 16, 8:30 P.M. Admission 25c.

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